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WHITEAWAY'S

Insurgent Raschid Ali Flees From Iraq

LONDON, May 30 (Reuter).—It is learned in official quarters in London that Raschid Ali has fled from Iraq.

He has crossed the frontier into Iran, accompanied by Amin Zaki, his Chief of Staff, and the so-called "Regent," Sharaf, whom he purported to appoint Regent in place of Emir Abdillah.

Germans in Syria

LONDON, May 30 (Reuter).—Germans filtering into Syria are systematically organizing machinery for control of the country, says the Jerusalem correspondent of the Independent French News Agency.

Control is particularly evident in the region of Aleppo.

In order to win the sympathies of the inhabitants, the Germans distribute food and even a certain quantity of patrol.

According to a traveller who has just crossed Syria into Palestine, however, the pamphlets reproducing General Catroux's appeal to the army in Syria on behalf of the Free French have met with great success, people who could not obtain one being ready to pay as much as 30 francs for a copy.

Baghdad Security

LONDON, May 30 (Reuter).—The new Military Governor of Baghdad has formed a Commission of Internal TURN to Page 8, Column Six

Naval & Volunteer Promotions

The following promotions in the Hongkong Naval Volunteer Force have been made by His Excellency the Governor, with effect from May 1.

To be Lieutenants.—Acting-Lieut. J. Y. Hutton-Potts, J. T. Brown, A. St G. Walton, R. Rutherford, F. C. Manning, H. P. Bailey, D. W. Wagstaff, J. B. Colls, A. Pollock, and P. C. Fairbairn.

To be Sub-Lieutenants.—Acting Sub-Lt. W. E. Baker, J. L. Youngman, L. W. Bush, H. C. Glover, P. J. Pool, and T. M. Milne.

To be Acting Sub-Lieutenant.—Lieut. R. B. Parkinson.

To be Paymaster-Lieutenant.—Acting Pay-Lieut. A. Sommerfelt.

Minewatching Branch

To be Lieut-Commander.—Lieut. S. J. Swetland.

To be Lieutenant.—Acting Lieut. A. R. Brown.

To be Acting Lieutenant.—Acting Sub-Lieut. T. J. Price.

To be Sub-Lieutenants.—Acting Sub-Lieutens. D. B. Izatt, F. W. Ambrose, A. Nissim, and H. O. Odell.

To be Acting Sub-Lieutenants.—Warrant Officers. W. J. Burling, E. T. W. Slay, D. F. Davies and E. W. Westwood.

To be Lieutenant (E).—Acting Lieut. (E) D. W. Morley.

To be Sub-Lieutenants (E).—Acting Sub-Lieut. (E) W. N. A. Smalley and P. E. Nettle.

How the Mighty Hood Met Her Tragic End

(By "Reuter" With the Home Fleet)

LONDON, May 30.—I watched the battle of the giants which culminated in the sinking of Germany's new 35,000 ton "unsinkable" battleship Bismarck.

Standing on the bridge of one of H.M. ships, I saw the Hood go down only 200 or 300 yards away with her guns still firing. "So began the greatest

This engagement between Greenland and Iceland was followed by a running fight lasting three days and four nights, and which ended when the pride of the German Fleet was sent to the bottom.

The end of the "Mighty Hood" was an almost unbelievable nightmare. Shortly after the engagement began, shells hit the 41-year-old battle cruiser. There was a bright sheet of flame and she blew up. Pieces of metal were thrown hundreds of feet into the air, and in a few minutes all that remained was a pall.

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VIVID EYE-WITNESS DESCRIPTION OF THE BISMARCK'S SINKING

Special to the "Telegraph"

AT A BRITISH PORT, MAY 30 (UP).—A BRITISH NAVAL OFFICER WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE FIGHT AGAINST THE GERMAN BATTLESHIP BISMARCK ARRIVED HERE TO-DAY, AND STATED THAT THE GERMAN DREADNAUGHT APPEARED TO BE CLOSER TO 50,000 TONS THAN THE RATED FIGURE OF 35,000 TONS, IN ADDITION TO THE SHELLS WHICH HIT THE BISMARCK, THREE TORPEDOES FROM AIRCRAFT; TWO FROM A DESTROYER; ONE, PERHAPS TWO FROM THE RODNEY, AND ONE FROM THE NORFOLK STRUCK HER, BUT SHE WAS STILL AFLOAT UNTIL THE FINAL TORPEDOES FROM THE CRUISER DORSETSHIRE SANK HER.

The warship, which arrived in port, landed 24 survivors from the Bismarck, all in their early twenties, clad in white ducks.

The British officer declared that the British warships discontinued their rescue operations only after severe attacks by German planes.

He stated that the British feared that they would never catch up with the Bismarck. Soon after nine a.m. Tuesday, the enemy was sighted dead-ahead at a distance of 13 miles. Not long afterwards, the Rodney opened fire. Two minutes later the King George V opened fire.

The Bismarck replied immediately.

The Bismarck seemed to be hardly under control and was steering very wild. The ship was moving at 12 knots, rolling from side to side.

Head-on Battle

The officer continued. "The Bismarck's first salvo fell 1,000 yards closer and the third passed over. It was a head-on battle with the British ships moving south and the German north.

The Rodney turned as the Bismarck shifted fire to the King George V.

The Rodney moved across her bow and closed the range from 20,000 yards to 10,000 yards in eight minutes and terrific punishment was inflicted on the enemy during the next 15 minutes. The King George V fired from the southwest and the Rodney from the northwest.

The Bismarck's forward turret went out of action. Fire broke out midships but was quickly subdued. None of the multitude of hammer blows which landed on the Bismarck produced the hoped for rending crash that would foretell her end. Her speed dropped to 10 knots but she still fired. Then for some time there was intermittent fire and the Bismarck's guns were silenced.

The Bismarck received from naval surface and air craft is provided by the small number of those who survived. Unquestionably, the TURN to Page 8, Column Four

AGITATION COLLAPSES

Bombay Yields To Persuasion

No Officers Survive

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

MILAN, Tenn., May 30 (UP).—

One hundred armed guards have been stationed at Wolf Creek ordnance plant after a man had been arrested for attempting to crawl through a fence.

Precautions

PHOENIX, Ariz., May 30 (UP).—Governor Osborne to-day announced that all power plants, irrigation dams, mines, and lumber mills throughout Arizona are being guarded against possible sabotage upon advice of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

This new-feature will appear daily in the "Telegraph" as from Whit Monday, June 2.

Suspected Saboteur

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

MILAN, Tenn., May 30 (UP).—

A man appeal made yesterday by Sir Roger Lumley, Governor of Bombay, to the leaders of the Hindus and Moslems to do everything in

their power to restore normal conditions in the city, and the posting of large forces of British troops,

Transport vehicles north of Algiers were destroyed and in the Gondar area the forts of Azozo and Di Ya were both bombed and machine-gunned.

In Libya, adds the communiqué, a large enemy formation raided Tobruk yesterday, four being shot down by A.A. fire and several others being damaged.

From all operations five British aircraft failed to return.

LATEST

Soong & China Defence League

WASHINGTON, May 28 (Central)—Dr. T. V. Soong, well-known Chinese financier and Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Bank of China, to-day announced his withdrawal from the China Defence League of which he is President.

In a telegram sent to Mrs Hilda Selwyn-Clarke, Honorary Secretary of the League in Hongkong, Dr.

Soong said, "When I accepted the Presidency of the China Defence League, it was with the understanding that the League would devote itself to securing material assistance from friends at home and abroad for the fighting forces of China and for the civilian victims of Japanese aggression. I feel that the League should not become the instrument of internal political partisanship and since without in any way consulting me the League has been publishing recently statements of such a nature in its official Newsletter, I regret that I must withdraw from the League and shall ask you please publish the text of this telegram."

Thai Minister To See British Air Chief

SINGAPORE, May 30 (Reuter).—Major Vilas Osthana, the Thai Minister of State and Director of General Publicity, arrived to-day to discuss with the Government the question of supplying oil to Thailand and also to exchange views on other matters with Air Chief Marshal Sir Robert Brooke-Popham, Commander-in-Chief, Far East, and other Service and Government officers.

Remarkable War Picture

This is undoubtedly one of the most remarkable action pictures taken during the war. The photographer, an American, was only 50 yards away from the explosion when an R.A.F. bomb fell among Italian troops in the Libyan desert. As the picture reveals, most of the Italians threw themselves flat on the ground, but one machine-gunner on the left continued to fire at the attacking plane. In the background is the main body of the troops convoy which was being attacked.



Situation in Crete is "Not Improving," London Warning

Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, May 30 (UP).—Authoritative sources, commenting on the Crete situation, said to-day that it was not improving. Communications were "very difficult," and they cautioned against optimism.

Unofficial Cairo reports that further British reinforcements had arrived in Crete were admitted.

A Cairo G.H.Q. communiqué says that further adjustments have been made in the British positions.

However, further air borne German troops made landings yesterday. Intensive dive-bombing continued throughout the day and the British troops again exacted a heavy toll from the enemy.

German Claim

BERLIN, May 30 (UP).—According to a communiqué issued to-day, resistance everywhere on Crete has been crushed and the German operations are nearing a conclusion.

Strong German parachutists and Alpine troops in western Crete dispersed and defeated the British after fighting under the most difficult conditions in the scorching sun. They formed contact with the parachutists who for eight days had withstood numerically superior British forces at Retimo.

The Germans are pursuing the remnants of the scattered British forces which are fleeing towards the southern coast attempting to embark under cover of darkness.

NAIROBI, May 30 (Reuter).—All 14 days an area of at least 10,000 square miles has been cleared of enemy forces in the Battle of the Lakes in South Abyssinia.

In this area, the annihilation of the Italians has been as complete as that at Amba Alagi and here again the Italians were caught between two forces.

In Amba Alagi it was the Indians in the north and South Africans in the south; in the Lakes district, it was the King's African Rifles in the north and Gold Coasters in the south who cut off the enemy's advance or retreat, and to complete the encirclement, there were the lakes in the east and hills filled with patrols in the west.

The Germans are pursuing the remnants of the scattered British forces which are fleeing towards the southern coast attempting to embark under cover of darkness.

On the southern front, 7,000 prisoners were taken and even more

shortened the road to Capital.

One important result of this campaign is that the road from Nairobi to Addis Ababa, which formerly was 1,050 miles, is now only 900.

Of all the Italian forces in this area, only 1,000 men of the 24th Division are still to be accounted for; these have left the road and if any survive still, they are endeavouring to get round the northern end of Lake Margherita.

Hard-Fought Battle

It is important to realise that this victory of the South African forces, ably supported by the patriots, was a hard-fought battle. After many weeks of heavy fighting, the enemy resistance collapsed just before and not after the Duke of Aosta's surrender.

The prolonged battle of Uadda, for instance, was one of the toughest fights of the whole Abyssinian campaign, in the words of a sergeant who had fought in Libya.

Wilson & Platt Promoted

LONDON, May 30 (Reuter).—Promotion was announced to-night for two leaders of the British Middle East operations.

Lieut-General Sir Henry Maitland Wilson, who was recently appointed G.O.C. British Forces in Palestine and Trans-Jordan and was in charge of operations in Greece, becomes a full General.

Major-General William Platt, who was prominent in the victory of Amba Alagi, is promoted Lieut-General. He was created K.C.B. only two days ago.

The name of Mr. B. J. Lecon has been added to the list of persons appointed to advise the Controller of Trade in the exercise of his powers regarding import and export licences.

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1.00 Local Time Signal.

1.01 The Hungarian Gypsy Band.

Songs by Nelson Eddy (Baritone).

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press and Announcements.

1.45 Musical Comedy Selections.

2.15 Close Down.

5.45 Indian Programme.

6.30 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.32 Tchaikovsky—Francesca Da Rimini, Op. 32 and other compositions.

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7.00 London Relay—The News.

7.15 London Relay—"Questions of the Hour."

7.30 London Relay—Special Broadcast to the British Forces in the Far East.

8.00 Local Time Signal and Announcements.

8.02 Rachmaninoff—Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini for Piano and Orchestra, Op. 43.

Sergei Rachmaninoff (Piano) with Leopold Stokowski and the Philadelphia Orchestra.

8.25 Barnabas von Geccy and His Orchestra with Wimble Melville (Vocal).

9.00 London Relay—The News and News Commentary.

9.15 Old Time Variety.

9.40 Local Sport Results.

9.45-10.00 News in French (on Short Wave only).

9.45 Concert Waltzes and Tanzos.

10.00 London Relay—Music Hall.

11.00 Dance Music.

12.00 midnight. Close Down.

To-morrow's Programme

Beethoven Concerto In D Major, Op. 61

Broadcast by ZBW on a Frequency of 845 k.c.'s and on Short Wave from 4-15-4.30 p.m. and 8-10.30 p.m. on 9.52 m.c.s per second.

10.10-11.15 a.m. Relay of Morning Service from the Methodist Church.

12.15 p.m. Eucodil's "La Tosc." Act II.

1.00 Local Time Signal.

1.01 Selections from Light Opera.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press and Announcements.

1.45 Beethoven—Concerto in D Major, Op. 61

Fritz Kreisler (Violin) and the London Philharmonic Orchestra cond. by John Barbirolli.

2.30 Close Down.

5.45 Indian Programme.

7.00 London Relay—The News.

7.15 London Relay—"Questions of the Hour."

7.30 The Last Symphony Orchestra

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

BANK HOLIDAY

In accordance with Government Ordinance, The Exchange Banks will be closed for the transaction of Public Business on Monday, the 2nd June, 1941. (Whit Monday).

Hongkong, 28th May, 1941.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the HONG KONG HOTEL, Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, the 11th JUNE, 1941, at 11.00 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 30th April, 1941.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, 4th day of June, to WEDNESDAY, the 11th of June, 1941, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers,

Hong Kong, 29th May, 1941.

CHURCH NOTICES

ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL (GARDEN ROAD)

The Bishop to Preach At Mattins

White Sunday

8 a.m., Holy Communion and in the

Church

11 a.m., Mattins and Sermon. Preacher:

Rev. H. M. Duke, Bishop of Hong-

kong.

12.15 p.m., Holy Communion.

7 p.m. Evensong and Sermon. Preacher:

Rev. H. M. Duke, Bishop of Hong-

kong.

Holy Communion will be celebrated on:

White Sunday, 7.30 a.m.; Whit Tuesday, 7.30 a.m.; Whit Sunday, 7.30 a.m. Friday (in

Cantorei), 7.45 a.m.

Notices for the Week

Hadminton at 8 p.m. on Monday.

CHRIST CHURCH (KOWLOON TONG)

Holy Communion And Parish Breakfast

Sunday, June 1. White Sunday

Services in Morning, 8-15 a.m. and

Evening, 6-7.30 p.m. with breakfast.

Wednesday, June 4.—Wolf Cub meet

4.30 p.m. at Embankment Rd.

Thursday, June 5.—Holy Communion at 8 a.m. at Mattins and Morning

Meeting in the Vicarage at 10 a.m.

Choir practice at 10 p.m.

Friday, June 6.—Vicars and Fellowship "At Home" in the Vicarage from 8.30 p.m.

EMMANUEL CHURCH (215, NATHAN ROAD)

Services & Notices

Wednesday, June 1.—Picnic to the

Wan Chai Beach. Particulars from the secretaries.

Wednesday, June 4.—Wolf Cub meet

4.30 p.m. at Nathan Road.

Thursday, June 5.—Holy Communion at 8 a.m. at Mattins and Morning

Meeting in the Vicarage at 10 a.m.

Friday, June 6.—Children's Story Hour at 8.30 p.m. Wood Wood.

Monday and Friday Evening Bible Study Class as usual.

METHODIST CHURCH (QUEEN'S ROAD EAST)

Broadcast Service In

The Morning

Services on Sunday, June 17

Preacher.—Morning, Rev. J. E. Sandbach; Evening, Rev. P. W. Jones etc.

Wednesday, June 21.—Parade Service at 10.30 a.m.

This will be followed by the

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

Hymns: 32, 223, 76, 217, 200.

Evening Service at 7 p.m.—Hymns: 29, 303, 278.

Notices for the Week

Holy Communion will be held at the S. & S. Home at 8 a.m. for Servicemen and civilians

warm welcome.

Tuesday at 8.30 p.m. Meeting for Prayer and Fellowship at S. & S. Home.

UNION CHURCH (KENNEDY ROAD)

Morning Service 10.30 a.m. Evening

Service will be conducted by Rev. K. MacKenzie. The sermon will be preached by Rev. Gordon Scott.

Evening Service, 8 p.m.—Rev. K. MacKenzie.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated at the close of Evening Service.

tra with Margaret Sheridan (Soprano).

8.00 Local Time Signal and Anno-

nouncements.

8.37 "Nights At The Ballet"

8.45 Studio—Book Reviews.

9.00 London Relay—The News and News Commentary.

9.15 Piano and "Cello Recital by Mischa Levitski and Pan Casals.

9.45-10.15 News in French (on Short Wave only).

9.45 Concert Waltzes and Tanzos.

10.00 London Relay—Music Hall.

11.00 Dance Music.

12.00 midnight. Close Down.

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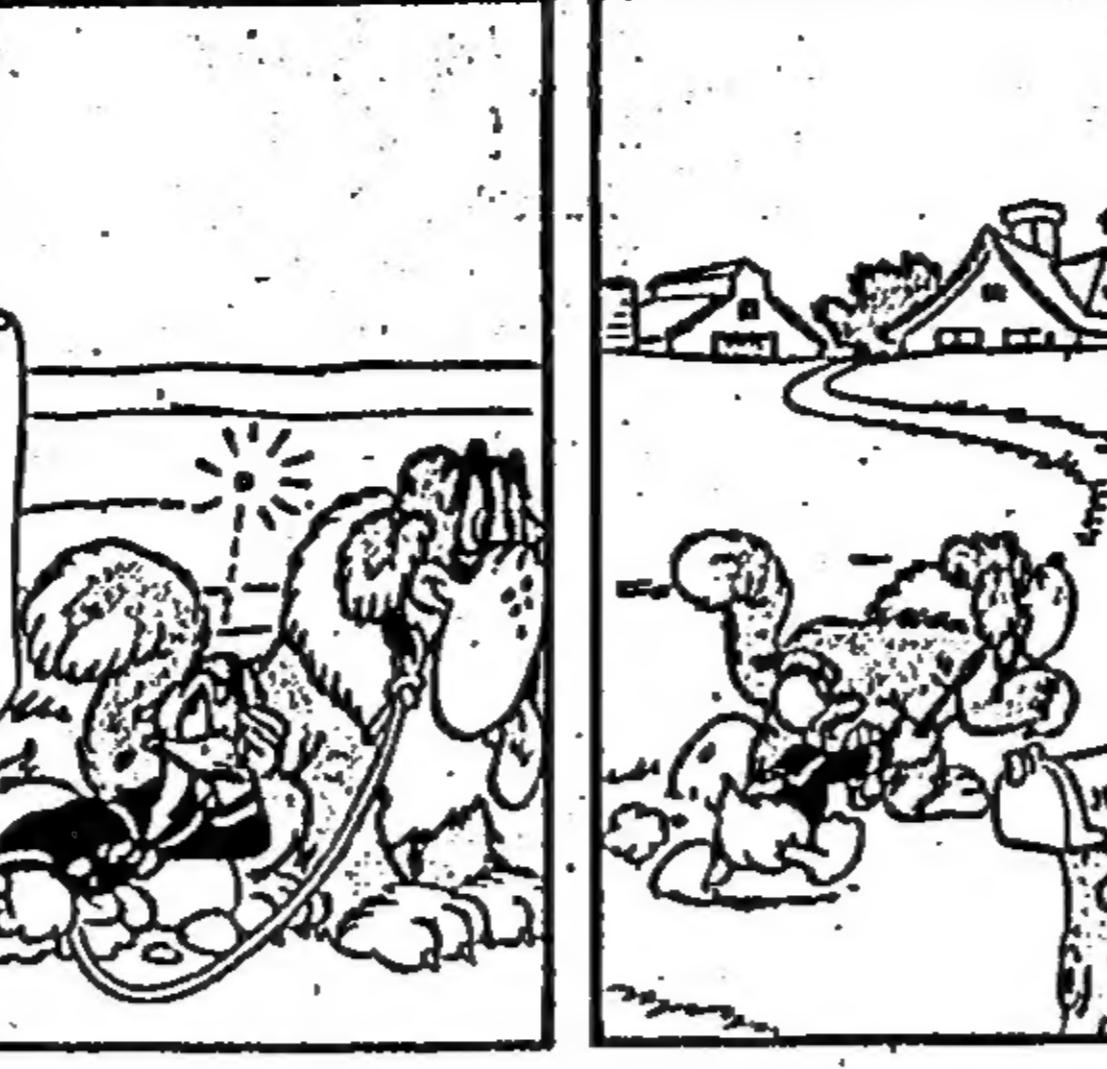
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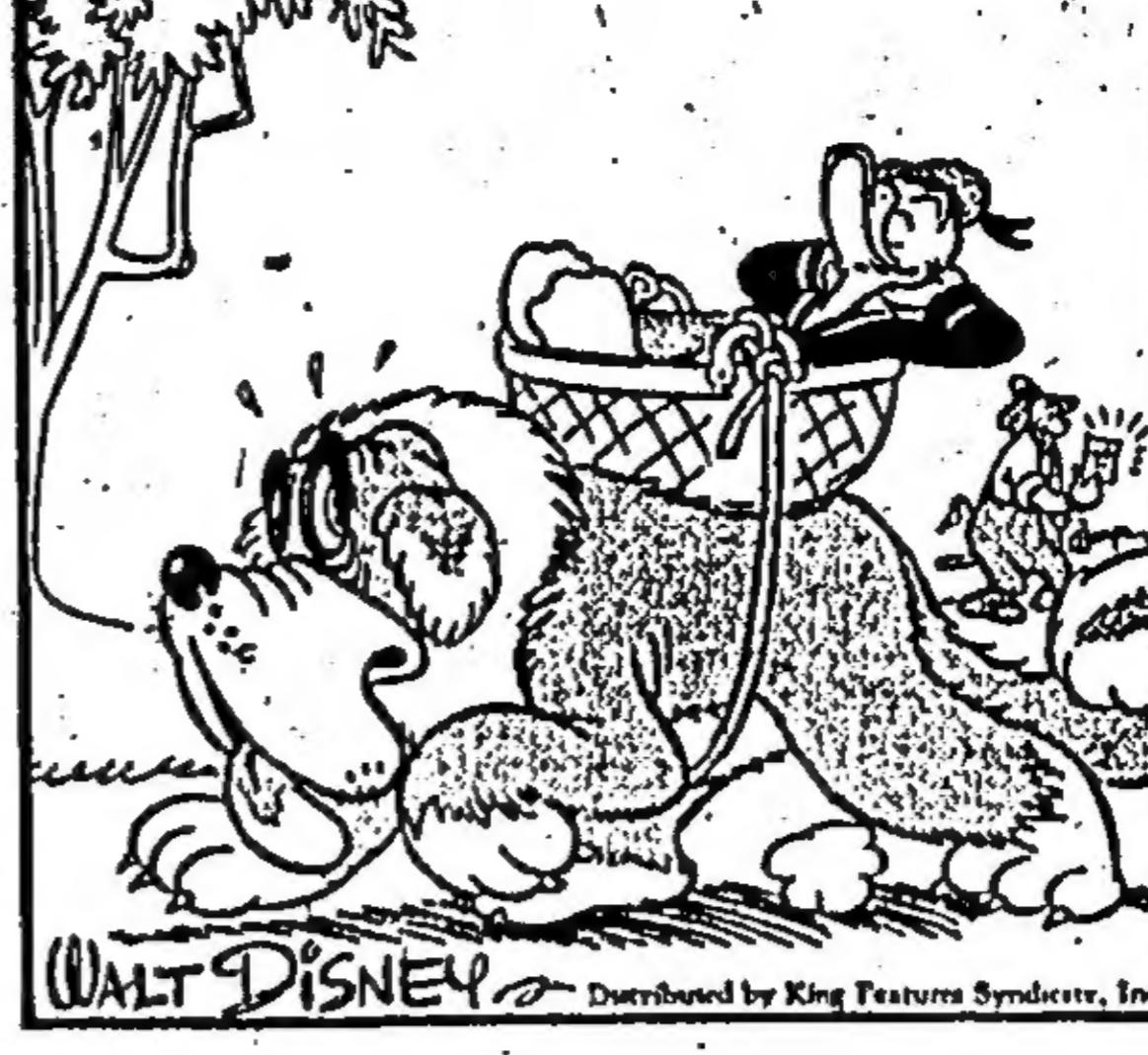
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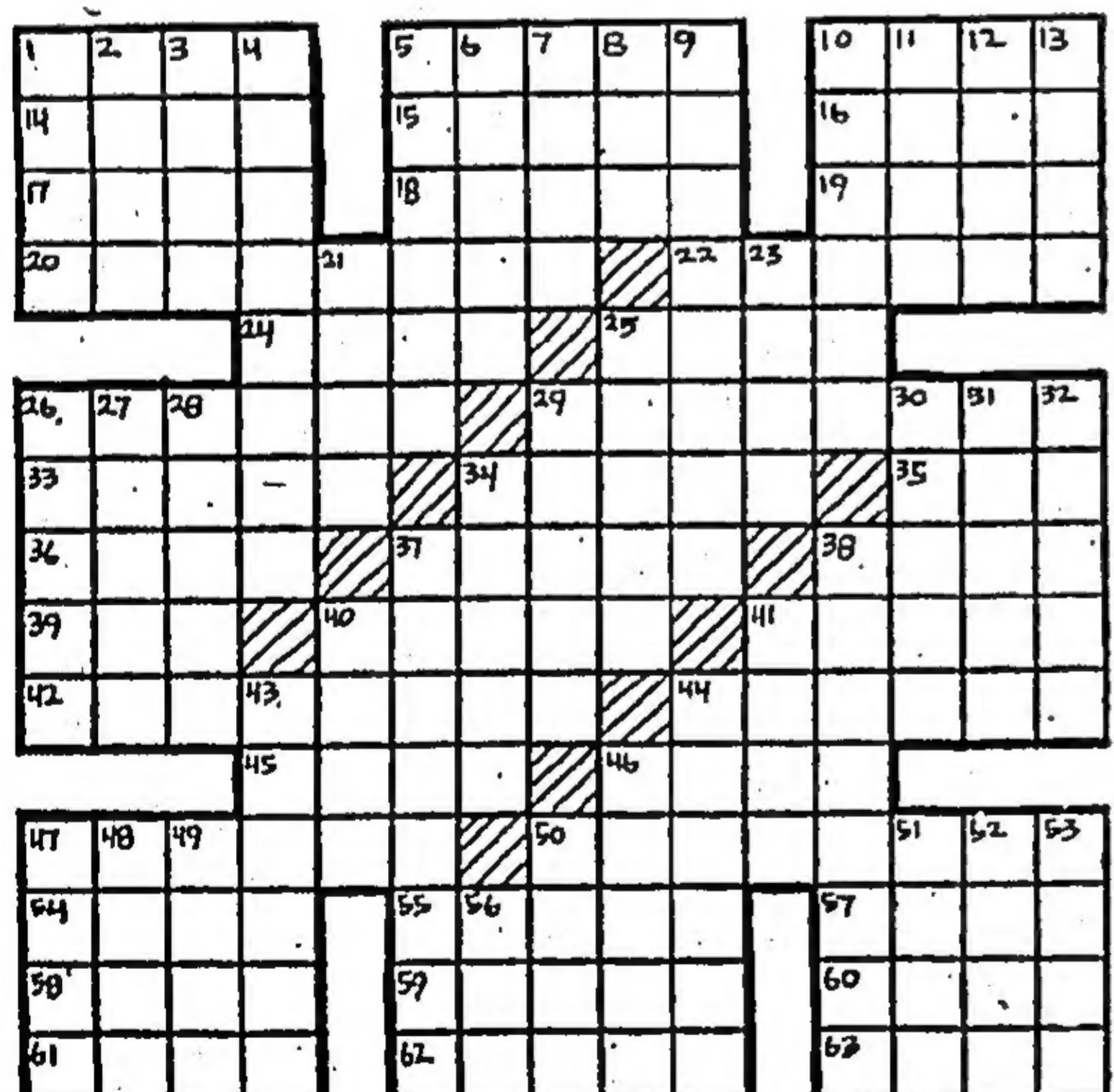


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Proceeded through water	1—Sea in Turkistan
8—Eccles of solar year	2—Spanish epic
9—In a lunar year	3—Maker of will
10—Tendered money	4—Pertaining to hip
11—Mint, pasturage	5—In direction of wind
12—Name of bird of prey.	6—Lived riding in
13—Others	7—Former Secretary of War
14—South African towns	8—Largest Italian city
15—Amorous look	9—Grows old
16—Exquisite	10—Over-used vegetable
17—In a quiet place	11—Over-used
18—Hang out loosely	12—Cause happiness
19—Oriental wizards	13—Necked
20—Name of man of rank (pl.)	14—Demiprecious stones
21—Found traces of	15—Took a chance
22—Luminous circles around sun	16—Residences
23—Luminous circles around stars	17—Loverly Santa
24—Center-of-wheel	18—Loquacious woman
25—Automobile	19—Obstruction, to
26—Food	20—Ceremonies
27—Took food	21—Crust of cheese
28—Female humans	22—Worthless remnants
29—Decreased	23—Opposite, to
30—Having any surface	24—Arrangement
31—Unfurnished apartment	25—Hanging hard, need look
32—In the fine country	26—Wind and dined
33—Intervening period	27—Always
34—More than	28—Tide of fur
35—Saves and corrects	29—Tiny insect
36—Enthusiasm	30—Part of hip-bone
37—Erase	31—Numerous



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DETTOLE
THE MODERN ANTISEPTIC



By Robert Lynd

MUSIC for the Forces. "Mouth Organs from Canada." "An Ever-Growing Need." So ran the headings in the "Times" the other day over an account of a movement now on foot in Canada to send musical instruments to British soldiers.

It seems that some time ago the Canadian Federation of Business and Professional Clubs sent a cable to the British Federation of Business and Professional Women, asking what they could do to help the war effort, and that, having been approached by the heads of the Services Musical Instruments Fund, the British Federation replied: "Please collect and forward all the mouth organs you can."

APPARENTLY, the mouth organ is

mainly a German product, though when I was a child it was known as a French fiddle. Like Beethoven's symphonies however, it has come to have a universal appeal, and no one feels that he is turning himself into a quisling musician if he plays a German mouth organ any more than he would if he played a German piano.

Hence one can understand the enthusiasm with which Field-Marshal Lord Milne welcomed the arrival from Canada of some hundreds of these instruments along with a jew's harp and a "venerable" but tuneful concertina."

There in a sentence you have the names of three of the musical instruments that I most longed to be able to play as a small boy. I bought two of them, a mouth organ and a jew's harp, but, try as I would, I could not get a tune out of them. There may, perhaps, have been a faint resemblance to "The Protestant Boys" in the sounds that I wrung out of the jew's harp, but, for the mouth organ, I never could persuade it to produce anything even as remotely resembling melody as the tune the old cow died of.

Yet other boys seemed to be able to acquire mastery of these instruments almost without effort.

Leave one of them alone with a mouth-organ for a few minutes, and when you returned he would give you a rendering of "Two Lovely Black Eyes" equal to the best Queen's Hall performances. Give him a jew's harp and, though he had never touched the instrument before, he would almost immediately be playing "Clementine" against his teeth with a Paganini perfection.

These young musical geniuses I envied and did my best to imitate; but, though I tried one instrument after another, I could get only vague noises out of them. I did,

ENGLAND has parted too easily with a great deal of her musical inheritance. Consider her blindness—or deafness—in allowing that great instrument, the bagpipe, to be exiled to Scotland and Ireland. The bagpipe, as everyone who is not prejudiced knows, is one of the most inspiring open-air musical instruments ever invented. It is equally expressive of the grief of man and of his gaiety in the dance: it puts double liveliness into the limbs of marching men. No one who has heard the music of a Scottish pipers' band as it fades into the distance and the darkness after midnight at the Aldershot Tattoo can be in any doubt about the power of the bagpipe over the imaginations and the hearts of men.

Yet for some reason England discarded the bagpipe as though it were merely a nuisance and had outlived its time.

In quite recent years again, another good instrument,

Can you play the mouth organ?

perhaps, have a slight success with the drum; the noises I got out of it were not vague, but quite definite. When I went on the penny whistle, however, I could force from it only a sort of raspberry vinegar music—that set other people's teeth on edge.

SUCH was my passion for musical achievement, none the less, that, having failed with so many other instruments, I bought a guitar. Even to hold a guitar in your arm is to feel serenades and waltzes under a Spanish moon coursing through your veins. Alas! they never got farther than my veins. After long practice, I could just manage to find the notes of Schumann's "Merry Peasant," but only with a pause of 60 seconds between each note and the next.

Even so, my ardour for music has never lessened, and I rejoice to see that a movement is gathering force for a revival of military music of all kinds from mouth-organs to marches played by the most exhilarating of all orchestras—military bands.

It would be a mistake, however, to worry too much about the feelings of those who listen. After all, even the finest pieces of Bach annoy many people who listen, and I know men who would hate listening to the best performance of a Beethoven Symphony as bitterly as they would hate listening to the worst performance of "Waiting Matilda" on a mouth-organ.

There is no need for mouth-organ music to be bad, however. Most bad players either retire soon voluntarily, like myself, from a musical career, or are subdued into silence by their excruciated friends.

Hence I do not look forward with alarm to a great increase of mouth-organ noises in England in the near future. I am sure the standard of execution will be reasonably high, and that during the next twelve months I shall not come upon a single soldier who is not able to play the mouth-organ better than I could ever play it myself.

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BRITISH BOMBING EFFECTIVE

Nazi War Machine May Feel Shortage Of Oil This Year

By J. G. Donley

The emphasis upon the assertion that modern war is a contest of machines sometimes overlooks another important fact. None of the mechanisms of war; nor any of the machine tools that produce the machines of destruction, could function without lubricating oil. And mobile mechanised forces could not be mobile without motor fuels.

The struggle for mechanical mastery, therefore, rests upon oil and gas. And control of adequate supplies of petroleum, while preventing the enemy from attaining a like position, is a major part of British strategy.

In America we have all the petroleum we care or need to use. And the quickening business pace will bring a sizable increase in our consumption of petroleum products, particularly gasoline and lubricating oils in 1941.

Now automobiles have been purchased at a record rate during the winter season, and hundreds of thousands of used cars are ending their idleness on the lots and going to work, taking men to and from new jobs. Registration figures this year, both for cars and trucks, should show a surprising rise in the number of motor vehicles actively in use.

RUMANIAN OIL INADEQUATE

Meanwhile, British observers are hoping before the end of this year the Nazi military machine may feel the oil strain. Germany is making every effort to expand Rumania's output. But Rumania's petroleum production, although important to the Reich, is only a drop in the bucket when measured against our scale of output.

In 1939, according to Theron Wasson's mineral map of Europe, Rumania produced 46,000,000 barrels of crude petroleum. At last year's rate of crude oil production in the United States, we could tie Rumania's annual production in about 13 days.

Down to the southeast of Rumania, the British have access to more than twice as much petroleum as Rumania is likely to produce. In 1936, the combined production of Iran and Iraq, according to Mr. Wasson's figures, was 93,006,000 barrels of petroleum.

Production of crude petroleum even in the expanded area of so-called "Greater Germany," if we leave Rumania out of that picture, is negligible. Russia produced 216,727,000 barrels of crude petroleum in 1939, but the latest figures on her consumption show that she used 147,450,000 barrels for her own needs in 1936.

Russia's expanded military machine probably has increased her internal needs since then; so that Rumania probably remains Germany's most promising oil supply source, particularly when the difficulties of transportation are taken into account along with uncertain political relations.

DEPEND ON ACCUMULATION

It is apparent, therefore, that German petroleum resources depend heavily upon accumulated stocks, about which it is doubtful whether anyone outside the Reich has complete information, and upon production of synthetic oil. In addition to shutting off supplies by the blockade, the British have been actively bombing oil dumps, oil-refineries and the synthetic "oil-from-coal" plants.

The latest information is supplied by the "Petroleum Times," published in London, which reports that British planes repeatedly have bombed the plants in which Germany has been manufacturing 90 per cent. of aviation fuel and lubricants.

More than 500 of 1400 bombing raids made up to the beginning of 1941 have struck at the Kuh industrial area in which lies the oil centre, Gelsenkirchen, with Germany, making frantic efforts to move vulnerable plants eastward. Twenty locations of refineries and synthetic oil plants have been listed as specific targets repeatedly bombed.

When we read about raids on such cities as Leipzig, Leuna, Politz, Cologne, Magdeburg and many others, it probably means that the R.A.F. has taken another stab at the Achilles' heel of Nazi motive power.

With the British now able to do a bigger and better bombing job, there is hope that the course of the war may turn on that vital commodity—perhaps sooner than we think.



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EDUCATION IN OLD CHINA

THE SPIRIT OF LEARNING IN CHINA is imperishable. In no other country is the attainment of knowledge more highly esteemed. Education has been so exalted that it has, more than any other factor, kept the Chinese national soul alive through the ages. Although dynasties have fallen, the monarchy has been overthrown, a republic inaugurated, and the nation is even now struggling for existence, the Chinese people, thanks to the influence of their ancient educational system, are still one.

The system, preserving China's cultural heritage so well is without parallel. Whatever may have been its defects, the venerable system, nevertheless, held its own until 1901 when it was finally abolished by imperial decree. As modern Chinese students are the successors of the scholars of Prussian thoroughness, page yesterday, it is of interest to lift—the veil of—that-half-memory. Very often, some

which were gone through with yesterday, after being committed to memory. Very often, some

commentary on the subject was also included in the school curriculum, and the diligent student was expected to master this as well.

By
T. Paul
Gregory

At length, the examination papers were finished and handed in to the examiners for correction. This part of the task was the most arduous, as the handwriting and exactitude of the written characters had to be closely observed. The successful student had not only to write the ideographs with accuracy, but also had to be aware that certain characters, if they happened to form a portion of the ruling sovereign's many titles, were always written with the omission of certain strokes. Should the candidate be careless in this respect, no matter how excellent was his essay, he was sure to be ploughed.

Meanwhile, enterprising hawkers and gambling louts in the city had been selling chances in a peculiar lottery known as *sau-sing*, or "encircling the surnames," a game of chance similar to the modern *po-piu*. The names of those sitting for the examination had been obtained, and people laid wagers on which would appear on the official list of successful candidates. Large sums were staked, and everyone had his *sing*, from the humble shop-boy earning five dollars a month to the wealthy merchant with his princely income of thousands of taels.

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FOLLOWING THIS STAGE OF ELEMENTARY STUDY, the Chinese boy of forty years ago was invariably sent to the classes of some local scholar, who, as probably as not, was preparing for the Government examinations and supporting himself in the meantime by acting as a *sai-pan* (literally "western guest") or private tutor. Under his instruction, the pupil gained a knowledge of more of the Classics, and was taught how to prepare theses on passages chosen from them. When the lad was considered by his mentor to be sufficiently advanced, he was taken to one of the local examinations conducted by the magistrate of the district. The next step was to attend the examination held in a departmental city like Canton, for instance. Of course, no enterprising printer struck them off for sale in the streets. Telegraph received honourable mention and hummed with messages telling of the event. Couriers were despatched to the minor towns throughout the provinces, and as every peasant had purchased his share of realising lottery tickets, there was as much excitement as after the running of the local Colony.

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AT LAST THE LONG-AWAITED LIST was posted outside the examination hall, announcing that the successful candidates had been awarded the honour of *sau-t'oi*, that is, "adorned talent"—a degree corresponding approximately to a B.A. Crowds of students anxiously scanned the bulletin for a clue as to their fate. Shrewd tradesmen with an eye to business soon had the whole list copied, and enterprising printers struck them off for sale in the streets. Telegraph received honourable mention and hummed with messages telling of the event. Couriers were despatched to the minor towns throughout the provinces, and as every peasant had purchased his share of realising lottery tickets, there was as much excitement as after the running of the local Colony.

The recipients of the degree of *sau-t'oi* were at once awarded certain privileges: they could not, for instance, be tortured into confessing a crime if they were ever hauled before a tribunal of justice. Their wishes held weight with the authorities, and they were treated with deference and admiration by everyone.

In addition, there were three other literary honours which were avidly sought after. These were the degrees of *Kul-yen* or "elevated man" corresponding to our M.A., *fan-sz* or "adorned scholar" equivalent to an LL.D., and lastly the much-coveted *Chou-yen*, a degree similar to a Ph.D., which was awarded by the Emperor himself. As the last were comparatively few, it was an honour sufficient to procure for the successful candidate a life membership in the Imperial Academy with ample emoluments from the royal purse.

Although the days of the old examination system are gone forever, they still retain the wistful attention of the masses. Perhaps a revitalised China will return with appreciation to the classical learning of its Sages, and modernised examination system based on the old will once become a reality.

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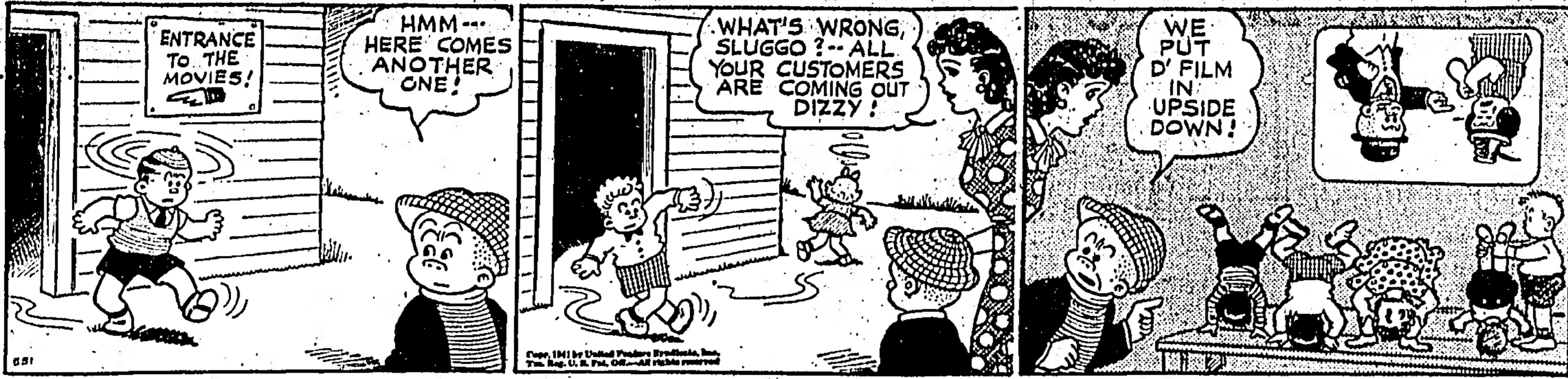
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Behind the Scenes of the FIGHTER COMMAND

AT the head of the Fighter Command sits Air Marshal Sholto Douglas—obviously a thinker and yet a man of punch and enterprise.

I think of him, if he will forgive the comparison, as the spider in the centre of a web.

The policy and spirit of the Fighter Command emanate from him and spread down the threads of the web to all the units under his control.

He inspires the urge to new developments in material, instruments, training methods and technique.

He encourages—or holds back when necessary—the heads of his various departments, just as they, in turn, control their various staffs.

Headquarters, in fact, is a complete world of its own, subdivided into smaller worlds—Operational, Training, Administrative, Meteorological, Personnel, Stores and Supply, Housing (Works and Buildings), Medical, Religious and yet more departments.

The missing Squadron Commander would not himself be able to report. The Station Commander must then investigate, as far as he is able, all the circumstances surrounding the event.

Immediately in contact with this great organisation, and above it, are the Air Ministry and the Cabinet, both of which may demand at any moment action or information.

And radiating from Headquarters there are the various Fighter Groups protecting this country.

Above And Below

Each of these Groups has an organisation similar to that of the Headquarters Command, but of course in miniature.

Each is presided over by an officer through whom the spirit of the Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief is filtered down and perhaps modified in certain local ways.

Below the Groups are the Station Commanders, and below them come the Squadron Commanders.

The Squadron Commander has a very small staff, but deals personally with every question affecting his own men.

He is able to act in a more intimate way than that which is open to the higher commanders.

He probably knows intimate details about every officer and man in his Command. Indeed, it is essential that he should acquire this knowledge if he is to get the full value out of his Command.

He also leads his Squadron in the air, in actual fighting—as does the Station Commander when the whole Wing goes into the air.

It is not possible for higher Commanders to attempt to do this, although in their past history they have all had great experience in air fighting.

How It Works

So much for the complex organisation of the Fighter Com-



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by Air Commodore P. F. M. Fellowes, D.S.O.

youself can have no idea whatever where you are.

Unless you had wireless communication with the ground and could be led back to your aerodrome, you would almost certainly crash, losing your aeroplane, and possibly your life.

The same thing, of course, applies, with even greater force, at night.

In the black-out, even on a clear dark night, a fighter is, to all intents and purposes, completely blind.

He has to fly, to a very large extent, by his instruments, with his head in the cockpit.

This makes it especially difficult for him to see the very faint indications which might appear on the ground to enable him to recognise the area of country over which he is travelling.

Therefore, he must have wireless communication, or some wireless method of homing to his own aerodrome. If this fails he must crash.

You see, then, that the importance of expert weather advice, constantly at the disposal of the officer controlling operations, cannot be exaggerated.

Unless the aerodromes can be guaranteed (so far as such a thing can be done in regard to so uncertain a factor as our weather) to remain clean and free from fog, the fighters cannot be ordered off the ground.

At the beginning of this war, our fighters were armed entirely with the light machine-gun, which proved itself to be highly effective.

Gun Power

Since then, the enemy has, to a large extent, armoured himself. We have therefore had to adopt a heavier automatic.

Both Germany and Italy had armoured themselves with these heavier guns prior to the war—but by so doing had gained no advantage, as we had not then gone in for armour in our aircraft to any extent.

The advantage of the light machine-guns lies in the large numbers in which they can be used. It is not always necessary to be an accurate shot to secure results.

The advantages of the heavier weapon are that it will pierce armour and it will obtain results at a long range.

The heavier guns, however, have the disadvantage of greater weight, and a very much smaller number of rounds of ammunition per gun, with a consequent need for greater accuracy in aim.

All the same, it has already been proved that these heavier guns can, with a good burst of 50 to 60 rounds, literally knock an enemy machine to bits in the air.

The rate of fire of the heavier gun is probably between two and three hundred rounds a minute, and the fighting range between two and five hundred yards. The number of rounds carried by our enemy is probably under a hundred rounds per gun.

Winning Spirit

But guns are not the whole story. In discussing them, we must never forget the men behind them.

I would say that there is no finer creature in the world than the full-out fighting pilot. Each time he goes into action he offers his life to his country with verve, and real enthusiasm.

My recent glimpses of the Fighter Command convince me that we have his nervous system and he must be, and is, rested at the proper intervals.

The spirit in our Fighter Units is I have witnessed it recently can be best described as that of quiet confidence.

They do not despise their enemy—in fact, they respect him—but they know that he is not their equal.

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CAPITAL OFFENCES

Looting & Forcing Safeguards

Additional Defence Regulations relating to looting and hindering offences, and the forcing of safeguards—any party of His Majesty's forces posted for the purpose of protecting any premises or place—were announced in to-day's "Government Gazette."

They are as follows:

(1) Any person who endeavours to force a safeguard shall be liable to suffer death or imprisonment for life, or on summary conviction, imprisonment for a term not exceeding twelve months.

(2) No person shall be committed for trial at the Supreme Court for any offence alleged to have been committed against this regulation except with the consent of the Attorney General.

(3) In this regulation the expression "safeguard" means any party of His Majesty's forces posted for the purpose of protecting, or of preventing or controlling access to, any premises or places, or for the purpose of regulating traffic on any road, railway, or inland navigation, and includes any sentry being a member of the said forces posted for any of the purposes aforesaid.

(4) A person sentenced to death after conviction on indictment of an offence against this regulation shall be dealt with in like manner as persons convicted on indictment of murder.

Looting Offences

34A.—(1) If in an area which has been subjected to attack by the enemy, whether by means of aircraft or otherwise, or in any area to which this regulation has been applied by order of the Governor, any person—

(a) steals any article from premises which have been damaged by war operations or vacated by reason of attack by the enemy or in consequence of any authorized directions given for the purpose of meeting or hindering any actual or apprehended attack by the enemy or of protecting persons and property from the dangers involved in any such attack;

(b) steals any article which has been left exposed or unprotected as a consequence of war operations or

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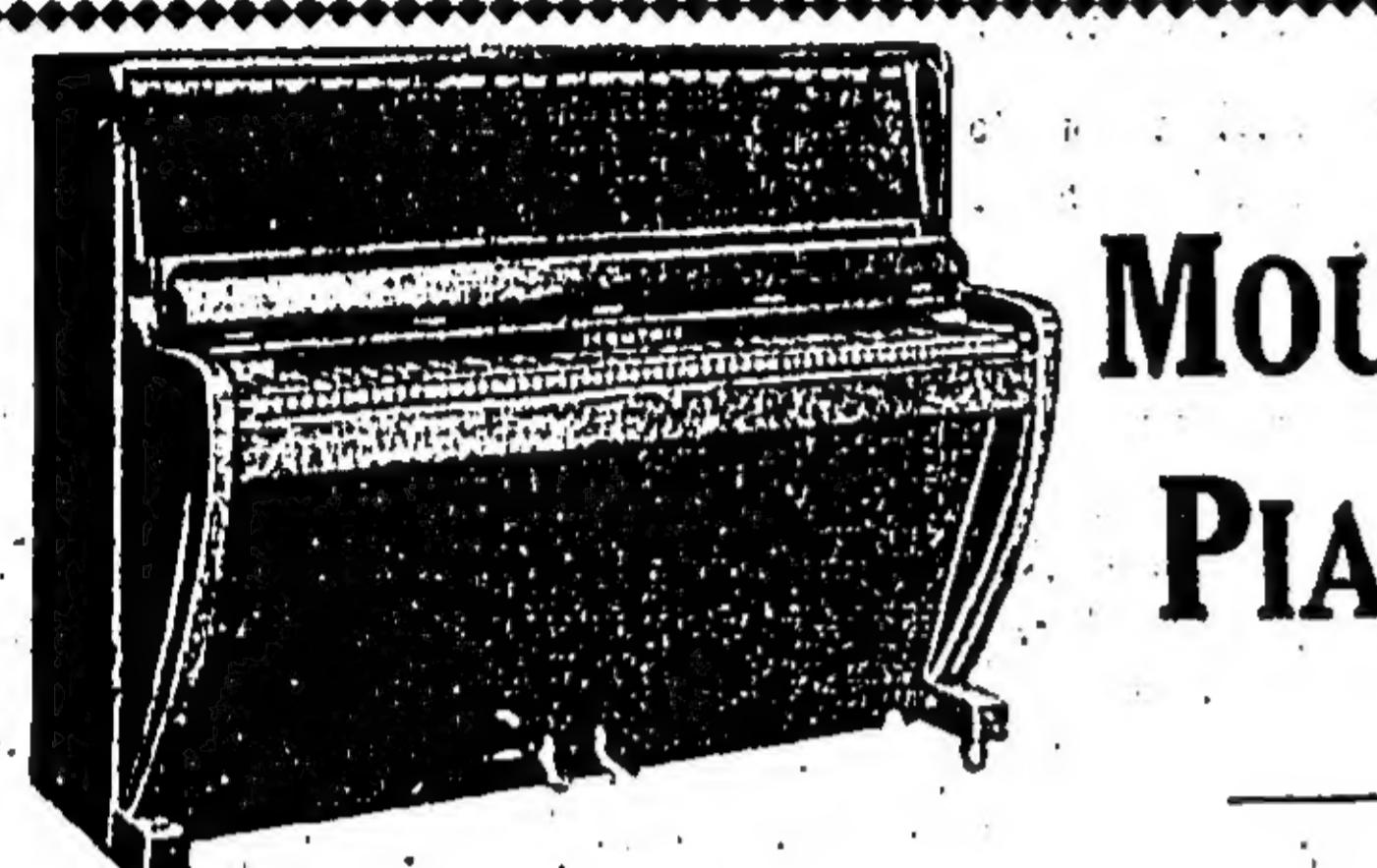
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FUTURE FOR WHICH WE FIGHT

ALL great wars, involving the major nations of men, are fought for peace. They are show-downs to determine the conditions under which hundreds of millions of men are to live their peace-time lives once the war is over. Some wars merely seek to bring about readjustments of power inside a generally accepted international order. These are wars for adjustment of frontiers, or transference of colonies. One side wins, and the loser emerges stripped of some of its territory, forced, inevitably, to pay the costs of the war, but otherwise intact, and able in another generation or two to challenge if it chooses, the power situation again. Such was the Franco-Prussian war of 1870; such was the Great War of 1914.

The outcome of this war will determine how humanity is going to live for the next epoch. Not how Germany, or England, or the United States are going to live, but humanity. This is a world-wide struggle between and inside great nations of men. It is an international war, and it is a civil war. This war will determine whether the peace of the next epoch is to be kept, (a) by checks and balances to Power; (b) by improved collective security—federation and commonwealth, with freedom and equality for races and groups of men; (c) by world mastery exercised by one or two organised groups over all the others. It will also, of course, determine whether the world shall be capitalist or socialist. But it will more importantly determine what sort of capitalism, what sort of socialism, or what sort of synthesis between the two.

A good deal of the foregoing was expressly stated or implied by Mr Anthony Eden in his speech at the Mansion House on Thursday in which he gave the first definite indication of Britain's war aims. The declaration was rendered all the more compelling because it eschewed rhetoric and confined itself to expressing sound, sober and constructive aspirations. It was the statement for which thousands of sympathisers in Britain's cause have been waiting for a long time, and that cause will not suffer in the slightest for such stirring sentiments. Working on such a solid and safe foundation, the democracies cannot fail after this war to make the world, at least a little better place in which to live. This, in the final analysis, is the supreme justification for war.

Sculptor's Quest For Truth

Goon Chan Discusses Hardest Of All Arts

By Alec Greaves



Mr. Chan with one of the best examples of his work, the clay bust of His Excellency the Governor of Hongkong.

Vivid Eye-Witness Description

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Among the hits received by the Bismarck were some from the Prince of Wales, which herself suffered slight damage.

Casualties aboard the Prince of Wales, however, were very small. The hits she scored are considered in naval circles to have played some part in the final destruction of Hitler's greatest warship since they allowed her down by two or three knots and enabled the shadowing cruisers, Norfolk and Suffolk, more easily to keep up with her.

The shadowing work of the Norfolk and Suffolk also greatly contributed to the British success. The team work shown by these two cruisers in the tricky conditions of varying visibility is described by naval experts as a masterly performance.

Fight Stages

The last half-hour of the Bismarck is described by officers of the ships which followed the chase to the final stage.

"The enemy made no action to surrender. We closed to 4,000 yards, firing our guns and torpedoes. One torpedo scored a hit amidships."

"The cruiser Norfolk was also firing with guns and torpedoes, and the battleship King George V with guns. The position of the enemy was inescapable."

"The British warships closed in raining shells on the doomed ship."

"After this pounding had continued for some time, the cruiser Dorsetshire, which had closed in to about two miles, asked permission to fire torpedoes."

The Sinking

"Three torpedoes struck the Bismarck, the first below the bridge, being followed by a sharp explosion."

"The extraordinary scene which followed was described by another officer. 'Suddenly all over the hull we could see a number of black dots—hundreds of them, it seemed—they were human beings making a last effort to avoid death. As the vessel heeled over further, the dots crawled along the hull anywhere out of reach of the water.'

"The vessel took the plunge and sank stern foremost, while dots were for a time seen on the face of the water."

"This officer estimated that there were over 2,000 men aboard the Bismarck."

Fought Bravely

LONDON, May 30 (Reuter).—Eight or nine torpedoes hit the Bismarck before she finally heeled over with her crew swarming like black dots over the hull.

This was related to the "kill," one of these men declared.

"The enemy fought with great bravery," one of these men declared.

Apparently even to the last, the German officers and men all believed that the Bismarck was actually unsinkable, and they were hoping for relief from land, having been told that 200 planes had been sent to their assistance.

While the survivors were being picked up, warning was received that submarines might be in the vicinity and the British vessels moved on.

The Bismarck gave no sign of surrender and kept her battle colours flying to the end.

"Until her guns were put out of action, she repelled for some time to the British salvos with her whole armament."

It is now revealed that the Hood blew up two minutes after being hit.

An officer who took part in the Battle of Greenland in which the Hood was sunk said that the Bismarck was sighted in the Denmark Straits on May 23 about 7.30 p.m. "It was a most inconvenient time," he said. "I was about to have my dinner."

With the Bismarck was the cruiser Prince Eugene.

Thick Weather

The weather was fairly thick and visibility was limited to six or seven miles. "All the time visibility was low and there was danger of running into the enemy at close range."

The enemy was kept in sight throughout the night which was never really dark.

"Soon after 6 a.m. on May 24, smoke was seen by one of our cruisers (Norfolk) and she knew that one of the ships was the Hood, which was expected to intercept the enemy."

Short Fighting Period

"Very soon the Hood opened fire, followed by the Bismarck and the Prince of Wales. In a short time the

Goon Chan Discusses Hardest Of All Arts

By Alec Greaves

"Beauty is truth, truth beauty—" wrote John Keats. Goon Chan, young Chinese sculptor who is fast becoming known for his work, has taken the immortal words as his motto. He understands their deep significance, with an artist's gift of perception. And with a true artist's insight he exclaims, "If you have found truth, then you have found happiness!"

Sir Robert Kotewall, Mr Wei Shih-pak, Major A. N. MacLaren, Mr. W. Shatford and others.

Then Goon Chan was honoured by no less a personage than Sir Geoffrey Northcote. The clay bust of the Governor, which has been exhibited and may have been seen by many people, is one of the best things this young Chinese sculptor has done. Sir Geoffrey is no mean critic himself—an intelligent art lover, he has by his interest greatly encouraged art activities in the Colony—and he was impressed by Chan's work that shortly before proceeding on leave last year he ordered a bronze cast to be made.

Goon Chan is never satisfied with his work. That is not to say that he discloses flaws and imperfections in the usual sense of the terms.

Hardest Of Arts

"One can always try to do something better," he said to me. "Whenever I model, I always try to find something which I have not found before. Every latest work of mine seems to me to be better than the last, and I hope to live long enough to achieve something really good in art, even a long life is short."

Whenever Goon Chan makes a portrait or a figure statue, he seeks to achieve not only sound construction, but to convey the general movement of the subject. That is not so easy; sculpture, it has been said, is the hardest of all the arts.

Curtain of Snow

For another four hours, the Hood and Prince of Wales continued on a course roughly parallel to the enemy, throughout most of the time ploughing our way through a dense curtain of snow.

Suddenly the curtain lifted. The last snow squall passed, laying a bare horizon broken by two black specks—the Bismarck and her cruiser consort.

For a few long minutes we ploughed on to shorten the range. Then the Germans turned to meet their pursuers. The world's biggest warships, their bow waves hissing aside in challenge, sped to meet each other. The specks grew rapidly into recognisable form.

The tension of waiting for the battle became acute.

"Open Fire"

Almost within a split second, orange-gold flame belched from the Hood's great forward guns. Within three seconds, there shot from the Science College of the Hongkong University. Now he is hard at work on the model of a statue of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, to be not so easy; sculpture, it has been entered in a competition sponsored by the authorities of Shikwan, Kwangtung's war-time capital.

Studied 12 Years

Born in America, Goon Chan—Chan Shik-kwan, to give him his full name in the Cantonese rendering—studied art at the Boston Museum of Fine Arts. He devoted seven years to drawing and painting before he turned to sculpture, and in this department he studied for no less than a further five years. Twelve years is a long time to be spent in apprenticeship, but as Chan says, "in art time is not a factor to be taken into consideration. There is always something more to learn."

At the Boston Museum he won eight scholarships. When he graduated, he went to France and studied under Burdelle, noted pupil of the great Auguste Rodin. Then to Italy, to the Florence Academy.

Returning to China in 1931, he taught in the Canton Art School and the art department of the Shun Kun University. He liked Canton, and speaks of his days there with sympathetic recollection. There he worked, experimented and taught, making many friends. But then the war came, and like thousands of others he had to evacuate when the Japanese occupied the city. His studio and a number of his works were destroyed.

Immediate Notice

Goon Chan came to Hongkong, where he practically began anew to build up his reputation. Hongkong has been criticised for its lack of cultural appreciation, but that intelligent discernment is far more widespread than is generally believed. It is born out by the immediate notice taken of Goon Chan following his first show here.

He had few works to exhibit when the Hongkong Art Club's annual show rolled around in 1938, but the small number of pieces he sent aroused considerable attention. He also exhibited a few paintings, and one of these, a still life, "Peonies," took the most votes.

Commissioners came in and the number of people who bought his pictures or wanted busts of themselves continued to grow. He made busts or plaques of Lieut-General F. Lindemann, former military adviser to the Chinese Government, the Hon. His studio and a number of his works were destroyed.

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His ideas are sound, and he knows what he is talking about. His opinions are formed of much experience and inquiry. How else was he to teach to his pupils?

He acknowledges that sculpture is difficult for most people to understand.

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"It is doubtless due to mature consideration."

The newspaper, "Tian," says that Mr Roosevelt has taken another step forward on the road leading to war.

The "Veteran" comments: "The speech represents United States determination to take a more active role."

New Powers

"Thus" expresses the opinion that Mr Roosevelt's new powers will result in increased production of war materials and enable him to overcome the efforts of certain defeatist isolationists.

It adds: "The situation remains the same as yesterday, but the authority of the President, which represents United States resolution, has emerged stronger. The threats of German and Japanese admirals have made no difference to Mr Roosevelt."

An exhibition of Chinese pictures by Prof. Chao Hsueh-jung, Mr. Chan-huan and Mr. Huang Pei-chen will be held in the Hotel Cecil, 1st floor, from May 31 to June 2, daily from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

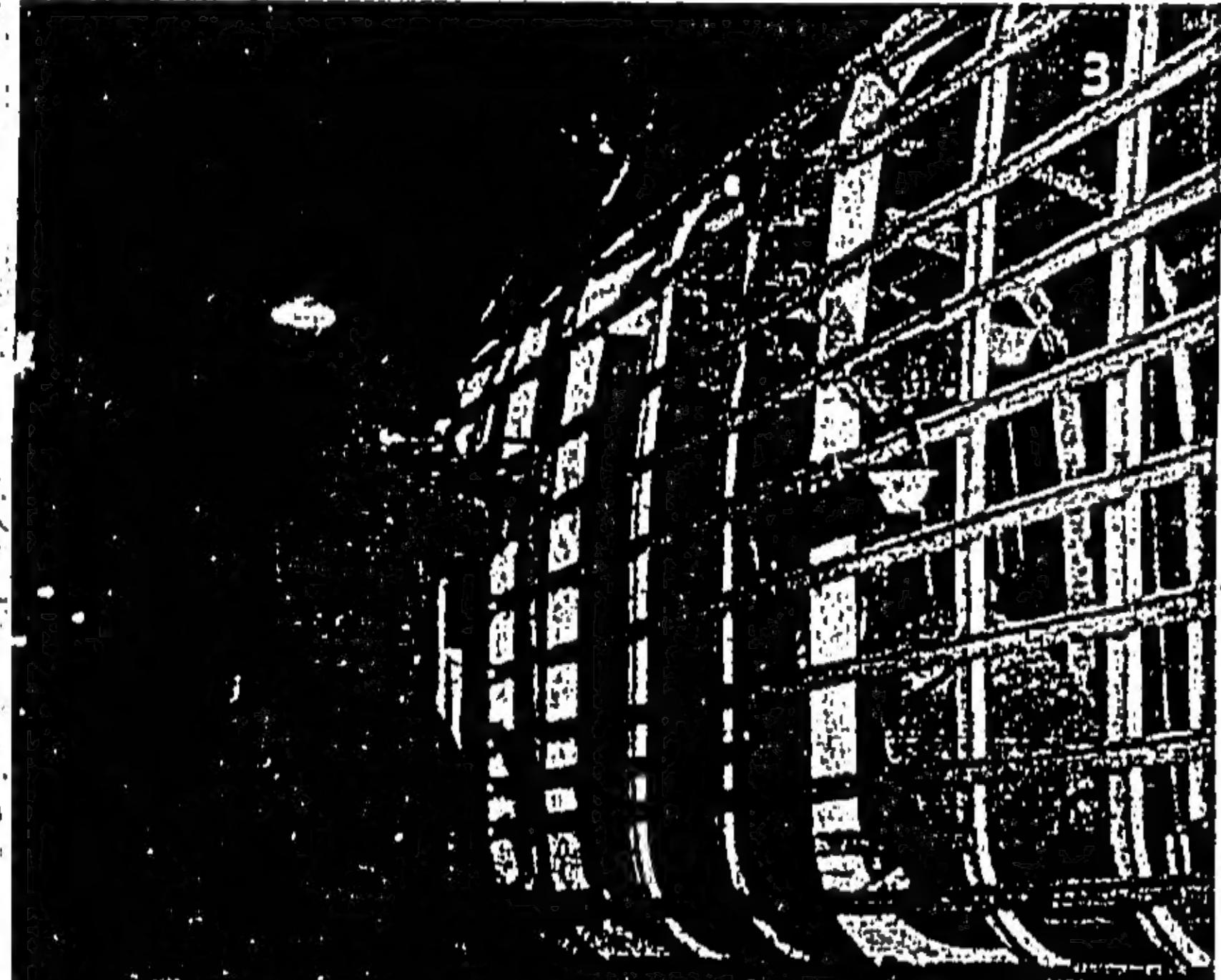
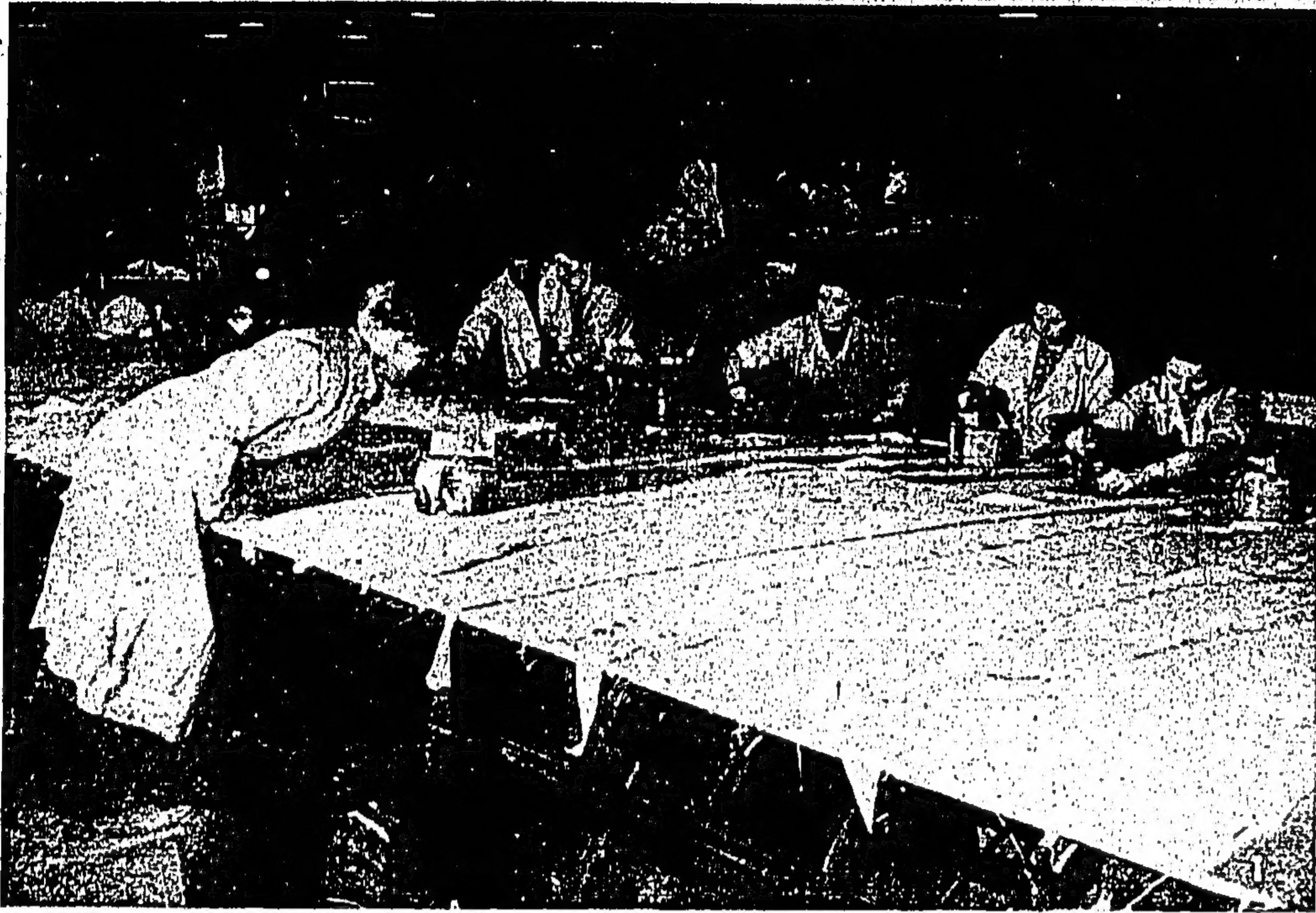
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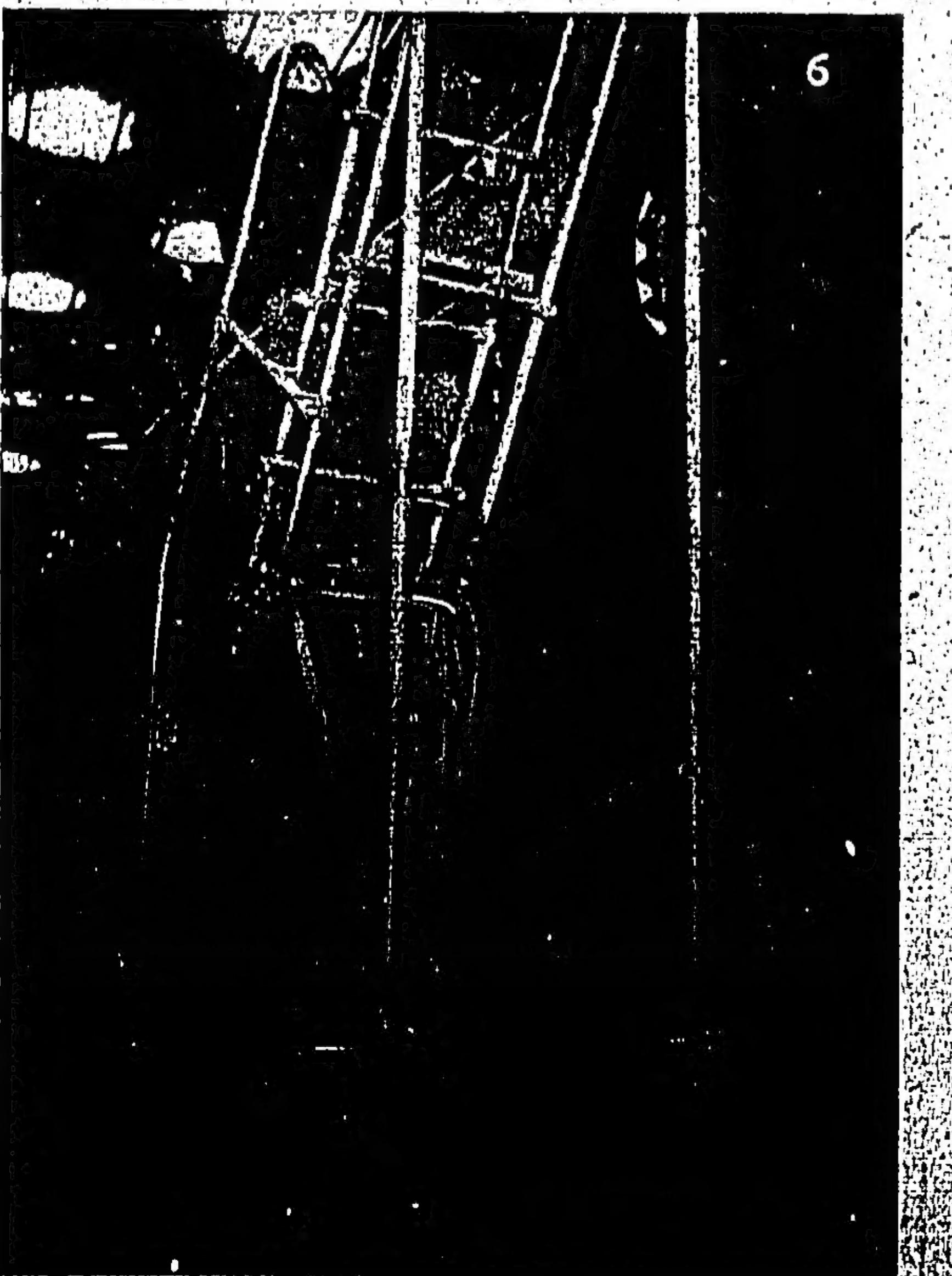
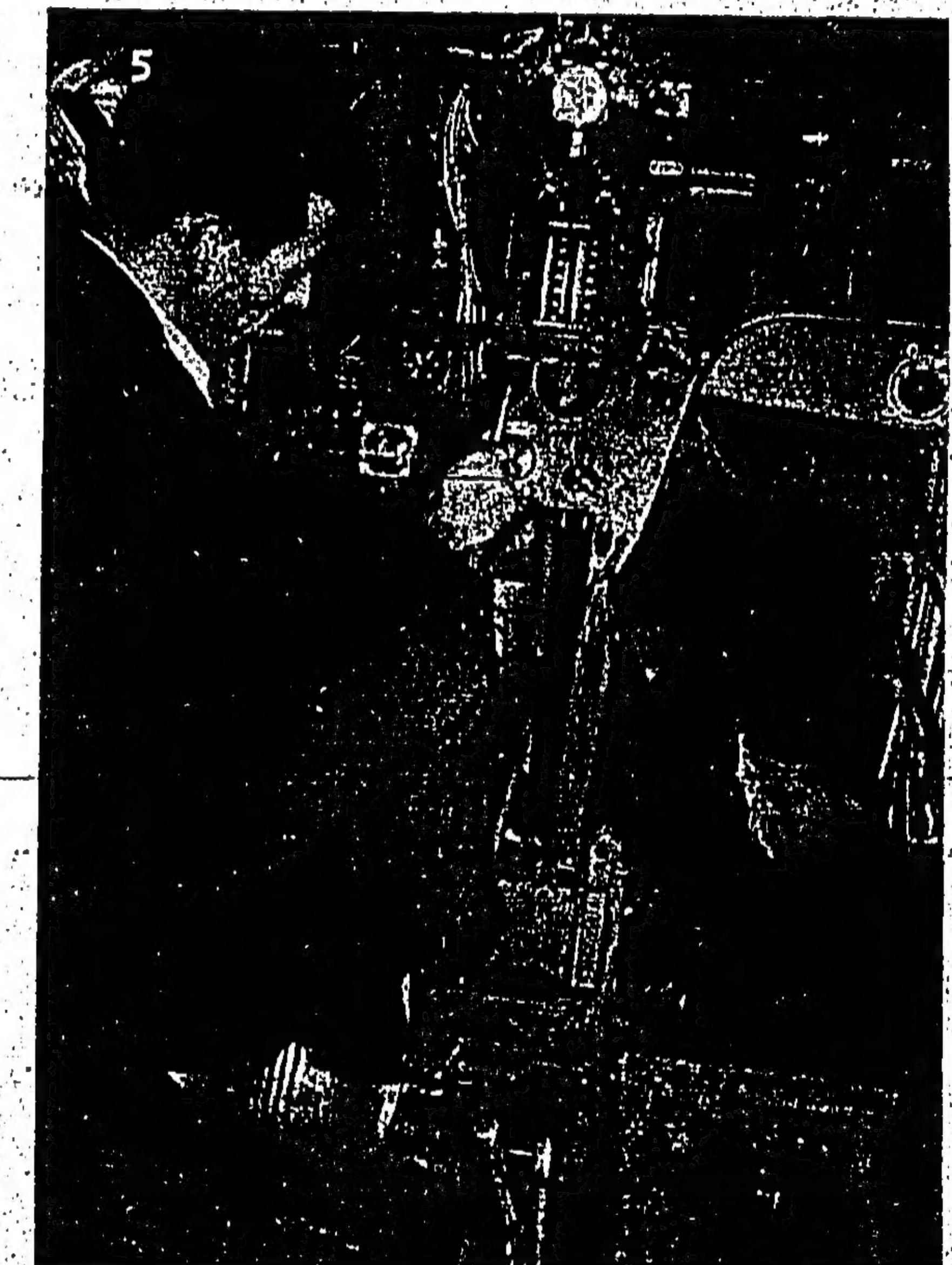
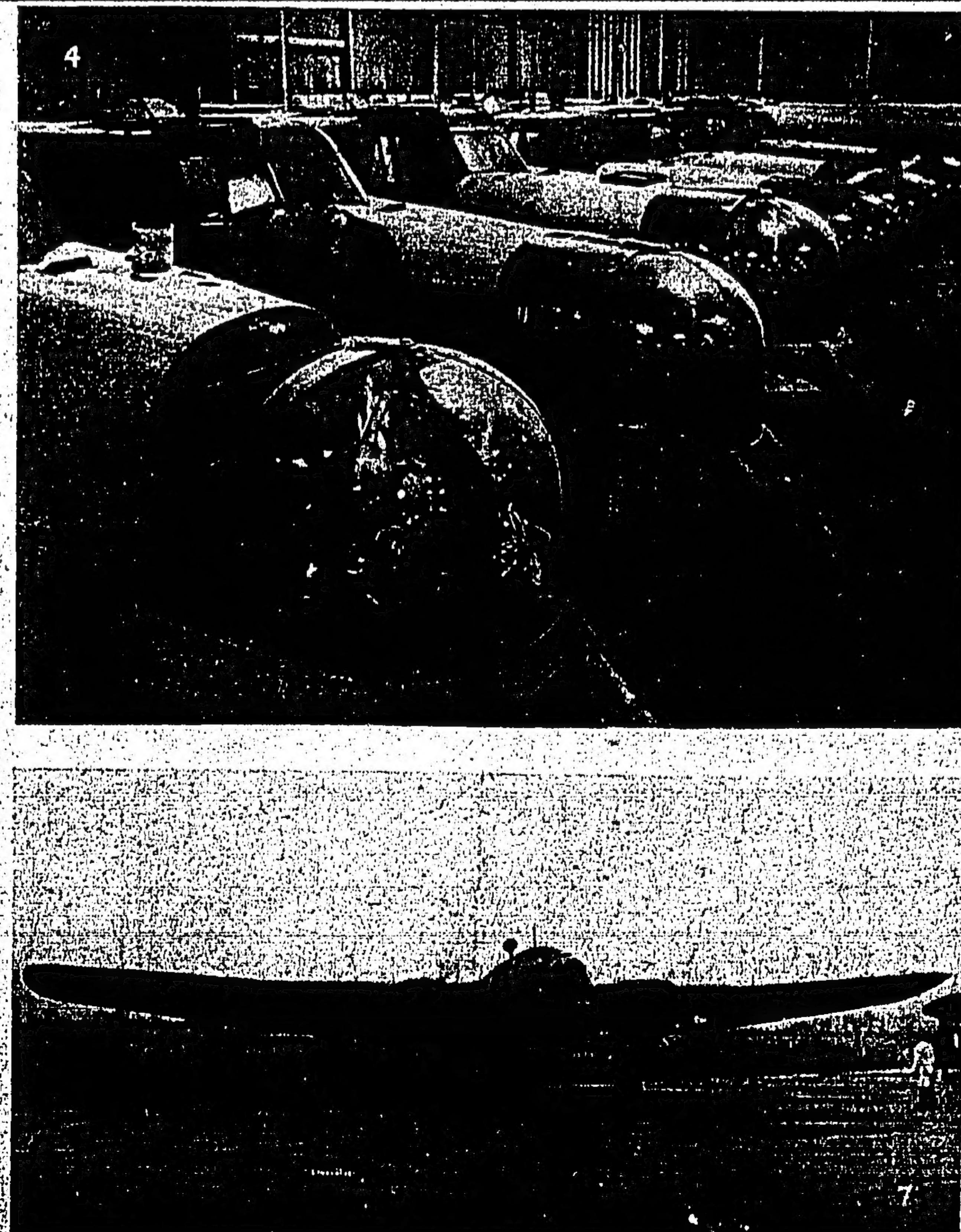
Magazine Features

SATURDAY, MAY 31, 1941.



Scenes at a Factory Constructing **WHITLEY BOMBERS**

The Whitley Bomber is one of the many types of excellent aircraft used by the Royal Air Force. Various stages in the construction of these machines are here shown. (1) Fabric strips being glued to the wings. (2) Engine nacelle assembly. (3) The rear fuselage prior to skinning. (4) Front fuselage intermediate assembly. (5) Men riveting labels on the instrument board of the bomber. (6) Painting the wings. (7) A completed Whitley about to take off for a test flight. (8) Preparing the electric cables in the front fuselage.



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Movies

SECOND CHORUS

"Second Chorus" is a neat concoction of comedy, song and dance that makes diverting entertainment. It will come to the Queen's and Alhambra to-morrow, where it should thrill the rhythm-wise younger generation as well as those of more stately years. There are points in it that please all: The story is well paced and presented in a straight and forthright manner that is very refreshing; the many comedy lines and situations develop logically, and both song and dance numbers seem to run along naturally with the story.

Although Fred Astaire handles three dance routines in the picture, "Second Chorus" really emphasises his abilities and qualities as a light comedian with plenty of personality. As to dancing, he is the champ, the champ of all champs. You never get bored when his feet start to move.

The picture is also noteworthy in uncovering Burgess Meredith's talents for comedy, an antithesis to his former heavy, dramatic Hollywood assignments.

Although Paulette Goddard gets co-starring credit with Astaire, she is in too fast company to display much more than decorative effect.

Charlie Butterworth takes advantage of every opportunity for droll comedy smacks in a highlight spot, while Artie Shaw (Lane Turner's Ex) provides excellent music. The latter is, however, noticeably camera-conscious.

The story is a sort of Quirt-Flagg affair between Fred Astaire and Burgess Meredith, but everything turns out all right in the end.

Astaire delivers all the three songs. "Poor Mr Chisholm," in comedy swing tempo, will catch the dance fans with its rhythm; "Would You Like to be the Love of My Life?" is a romantic tune, while "Dig It" is a fast number for the real steppers.

HIRED WIFE

"Hired Wife," starring Rosalind Russell and Brian Aherne, at the King's is a decidedly happy film.

Because it happens to be necessary to put all his business assets in his wife's name Brian wants a wife in a hurry. His choice is blonde model, Virginia Bruce, but his secretary Rosalind knows her shorthand better than that. She wants the boss, and she gets him—even if it is only on a business contract.

Then Rosalind digs in, and hires a gigolo, to make the going with Virginia. But all her work is to no effect—until right at the end, when for no apparent reason everybody has a change of heart just before the call of "Time, ladies and gents."

Lighthearted-looking this, with a grand performance by Robert Benchley, and the fair Rosalind more sparkling than ever. She's a one, that girl. Remember her in "The women?"



"Citizen Kane" Is Season's Most Astonishing Film

RKO Radio's "CITIZEN KANE" has been released at last, after two months of the most sensational publicity ever accorded a film.

The picture was made by Orson Welles, a young man of 25, who jumped into prominence two years ago by an all-too-realistic broadcast of the inhabitants of Mars landing on the earth and attacking New York.

RKO brought Welles to Hollywood to write, act, direct and produce a film. He had never had any previous experience of film-making and had never faced a camera before. Hollywood scoffed at RKO and Welles, and predicted that a film would never be made, and if one was made, it would be a flop.

After two years, during which several stories were written and discarded, "Citizen Kane", dealing with the life of a power-mad newspaper owner, was selected and produced. Two months ago, "Citizen

Kane" was completed.

News leaked out that the story resembled the life story of William Randolph Hearst, the famous American newspaper magnate. Immediately Hearst interests demanded a preview of the film. They got it. After the screening it was reported that they stormed out of the RKO projection room threatening legal proceedings if the film was shown publicly. Firthwith, Hearst newspapers put a ban on all publicity material for RKO pictures.

Several private showings were given and it was said that tremendous pressure, both inside and outside the industry, was being brought to bear on RKO to scrap the \$800,000 negative. It was reported that Hearst newspapers had threatened to expose certain Hollywood activities that would have a detrimental effect on film-industry.

RKO persisted in re-lensing "Citizen Kane". As a result certain film "big-wigs" were reported to have formed a pool to buy and scrap "Citizen Kane".

RKO was in a dilemma. Hearst threatened to sue if "Citizen Kane" was released. Orson Welles threatened to sue RKO if it was not re-released. One thing RKO was sure of and that was that it had a great film on its hands.

In the meantime, the film was being previewed by critics who were unanimous in acclaiming it as the greatest film ever made and one which was certain to revolutionise the industry.

"Time", "Life", "Newsweek", "Variety" and others hailed "Citizen Kane" as something really sensational and certain to be a box-office film of the first magnitude if it ever reached the theatre screens. It was reported that "Time" had offered RKO a million dollars for the negative, which was refused.

Throughout the controversy, RKO kept silent as to its intention, but vigorously denied that the film was based on the life of William Randolph Hearst.

Reports have now come through that "Citizen Kane" has been re-released in America on a roadshow basis and is showing to the greatest box-office returns since "Gone With the Wind". Everybody agrees that Orson Welles has broken all Hollywood traditions and has made a pictorial masterpiece that will long be remembered.

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BARBARA'S EX

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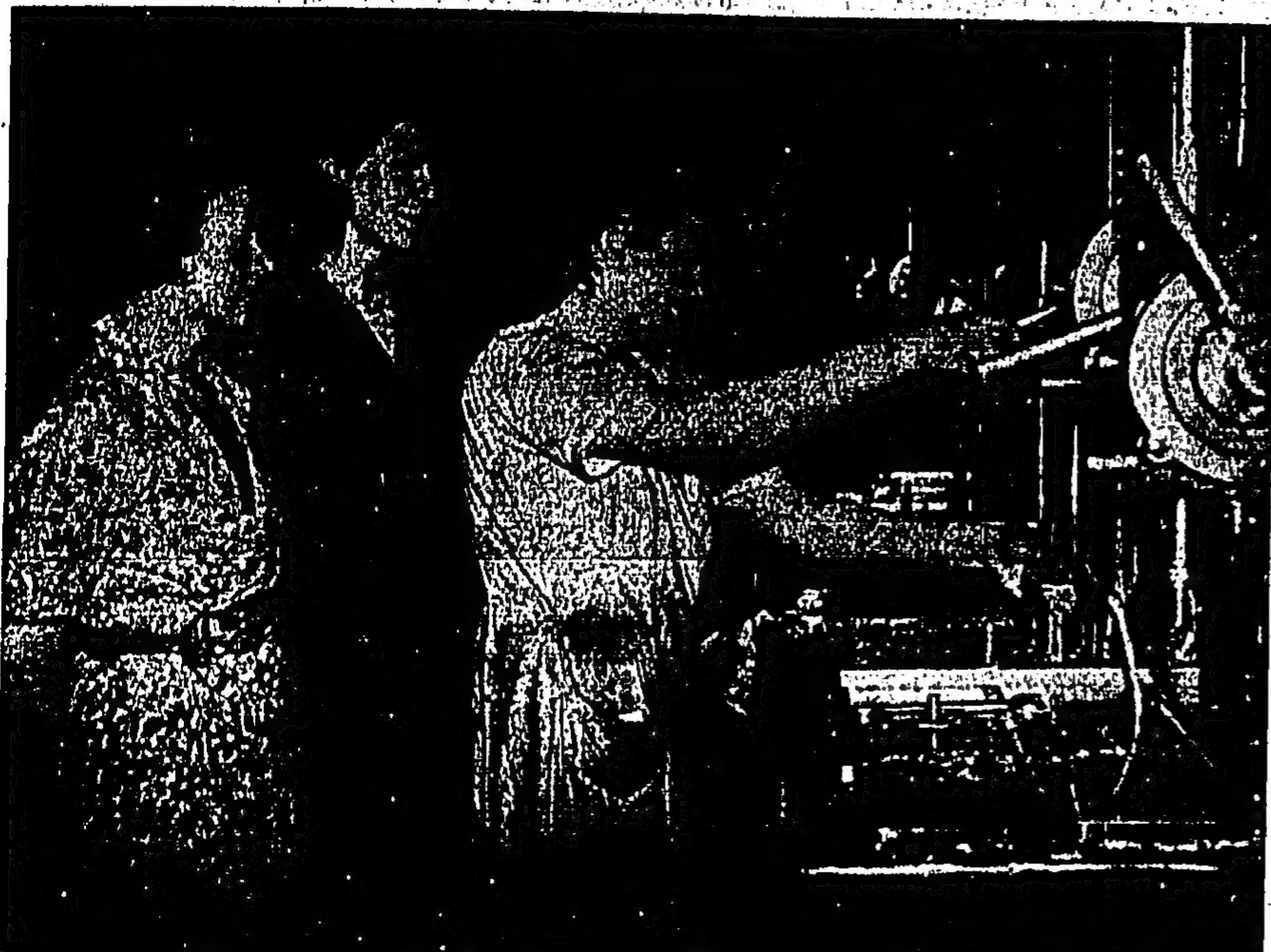
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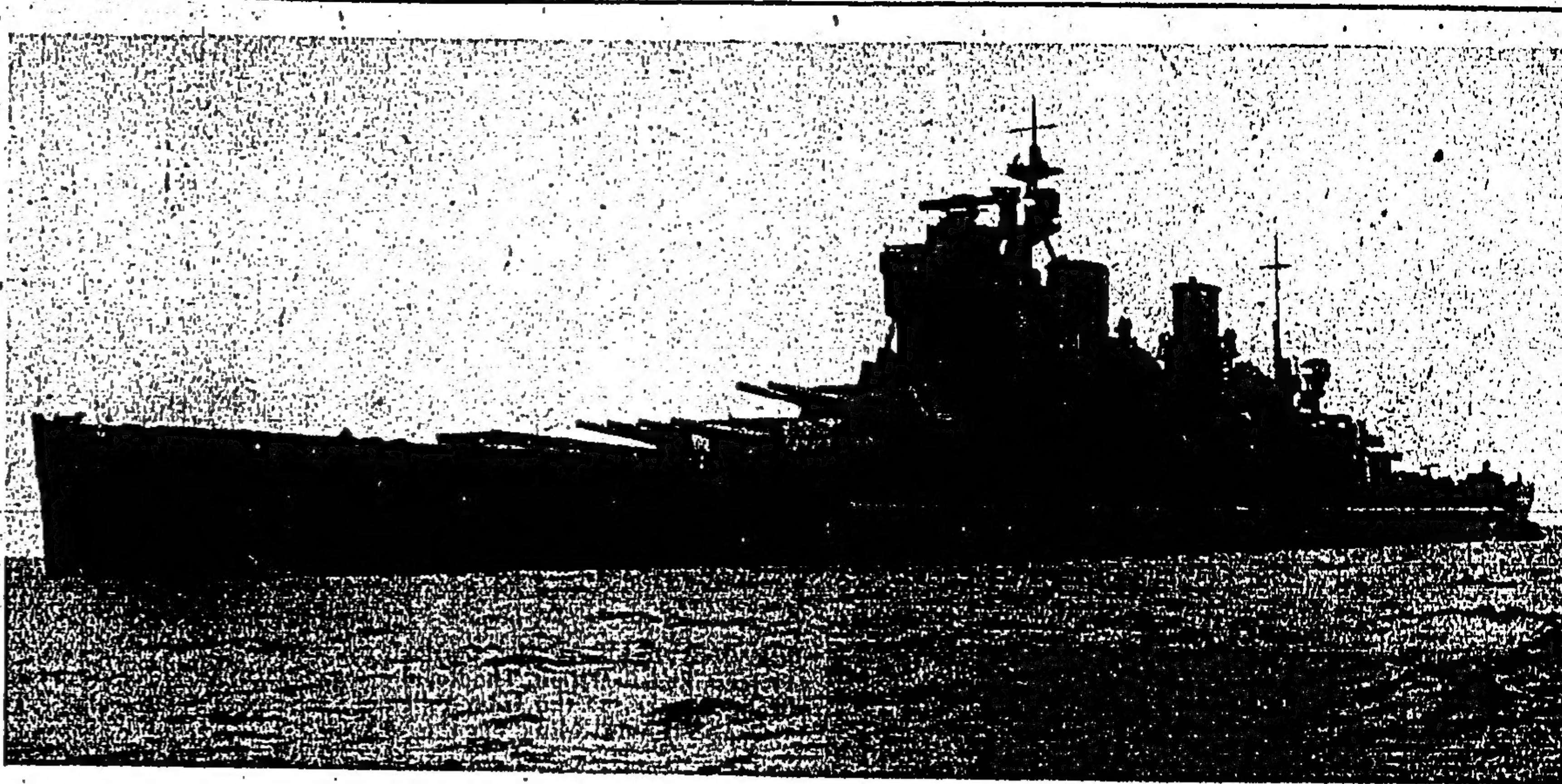
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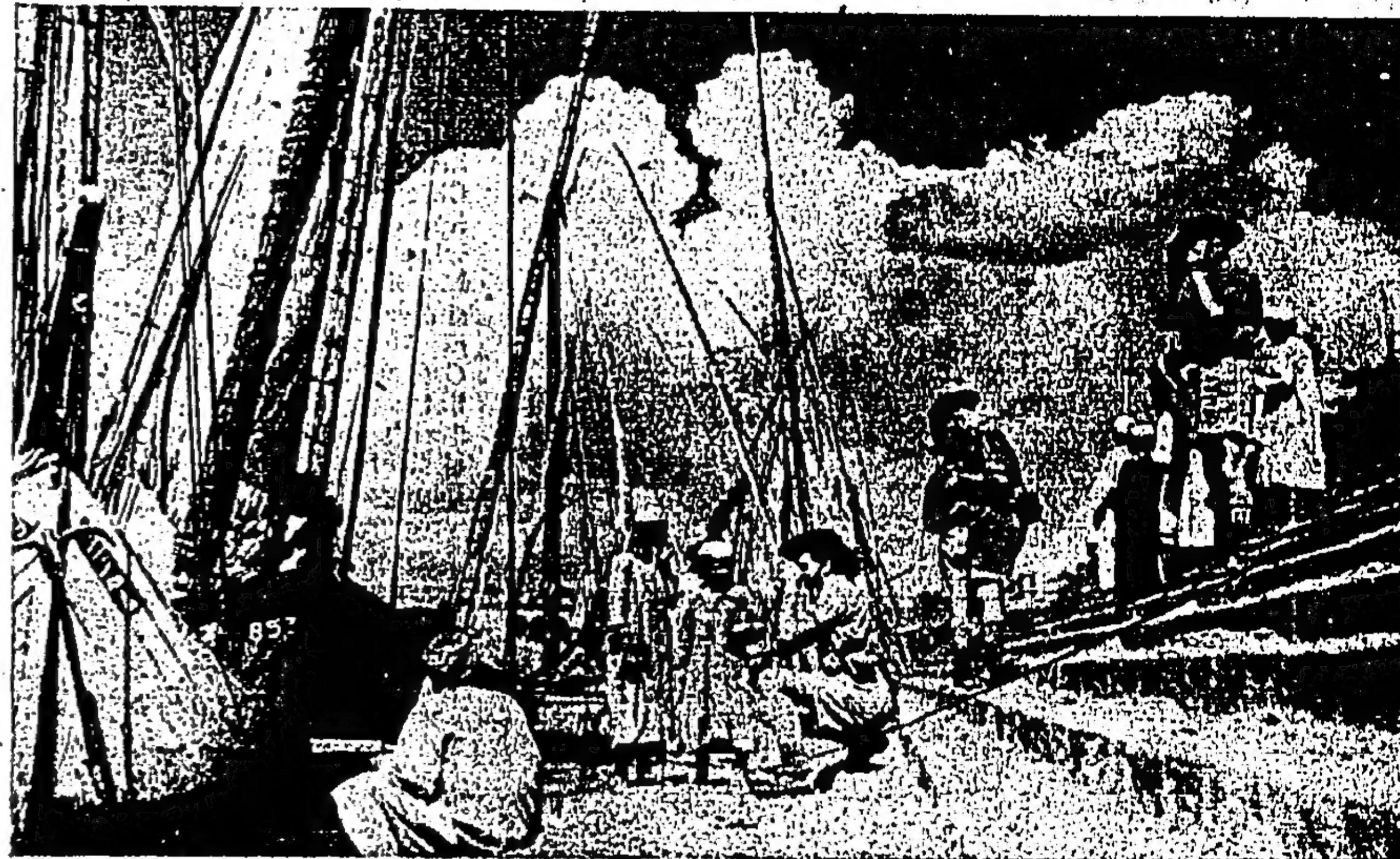
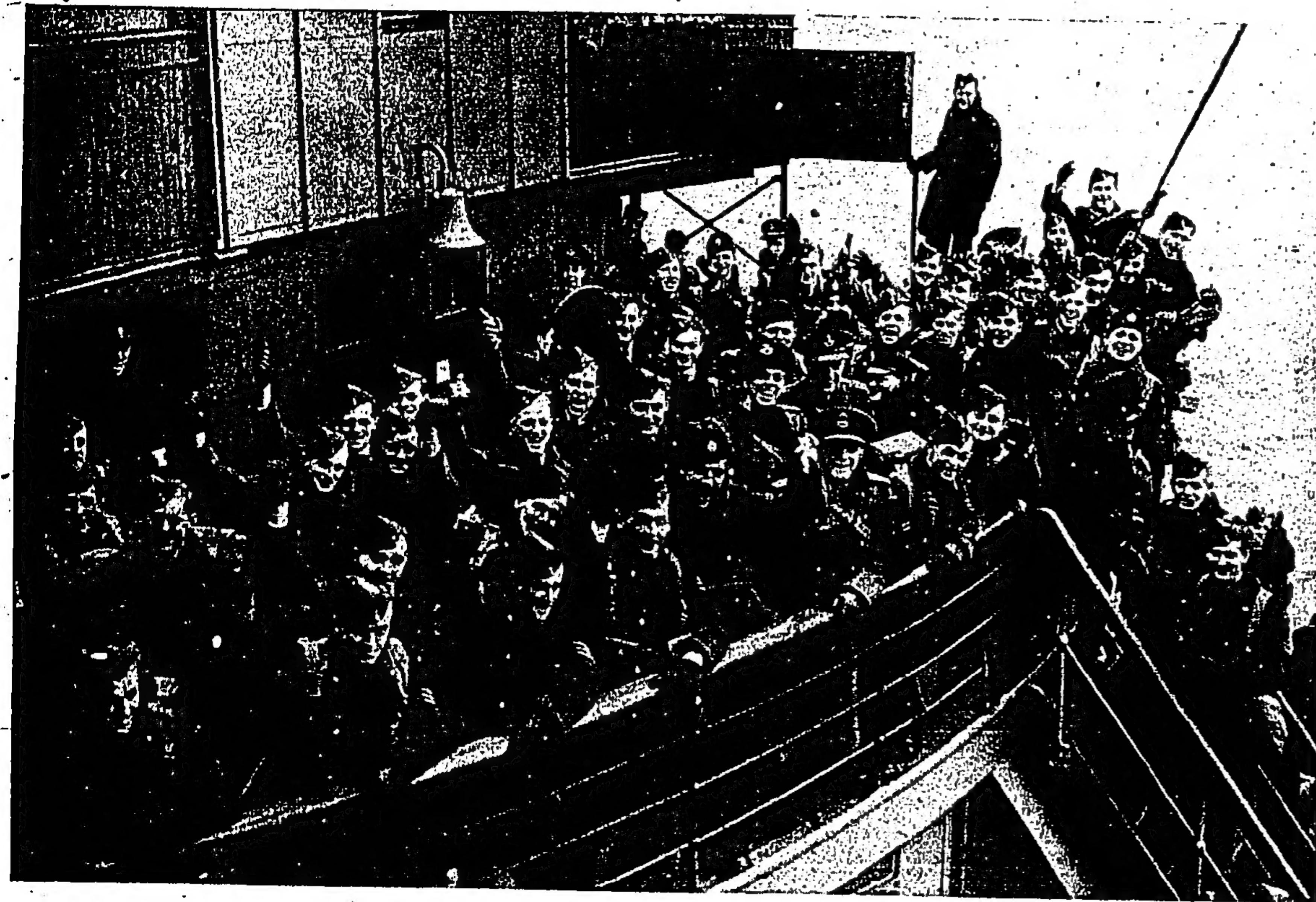
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SATURDAY, MAY 31, 1941



AT A TANK FACTORY—An officer of the Royal Tank Regiment watching a woman worker at a tank factory in the Midlands. He was one of a party of officers back from the Libyan campaign. They told the workers of the excellent results achieved with the tanks the latter had made.



BRITAIN'S SUPER BATTLESHIP
—The Prince of Wales, sister ship of the King George V, which took part in this week's naval action in which the German battleship, Bismarck, was sent to the bottom.



DIGGERS ON LEAVE—Australian soldiers on short leave find picturesque scenes by the banks of the Nile, and cameras are busy for the edification of the folks back home.



BALLET IN THE BLITZ—Just to show that life goes on more or less normally in London in spite of the constant bombings is this picture of the new ballet, "The Wanderer," presented by the Sadlers Wells Company recently. Robert Helpman is seen being lifted, and Margot Fonteyne is nearest the camera.



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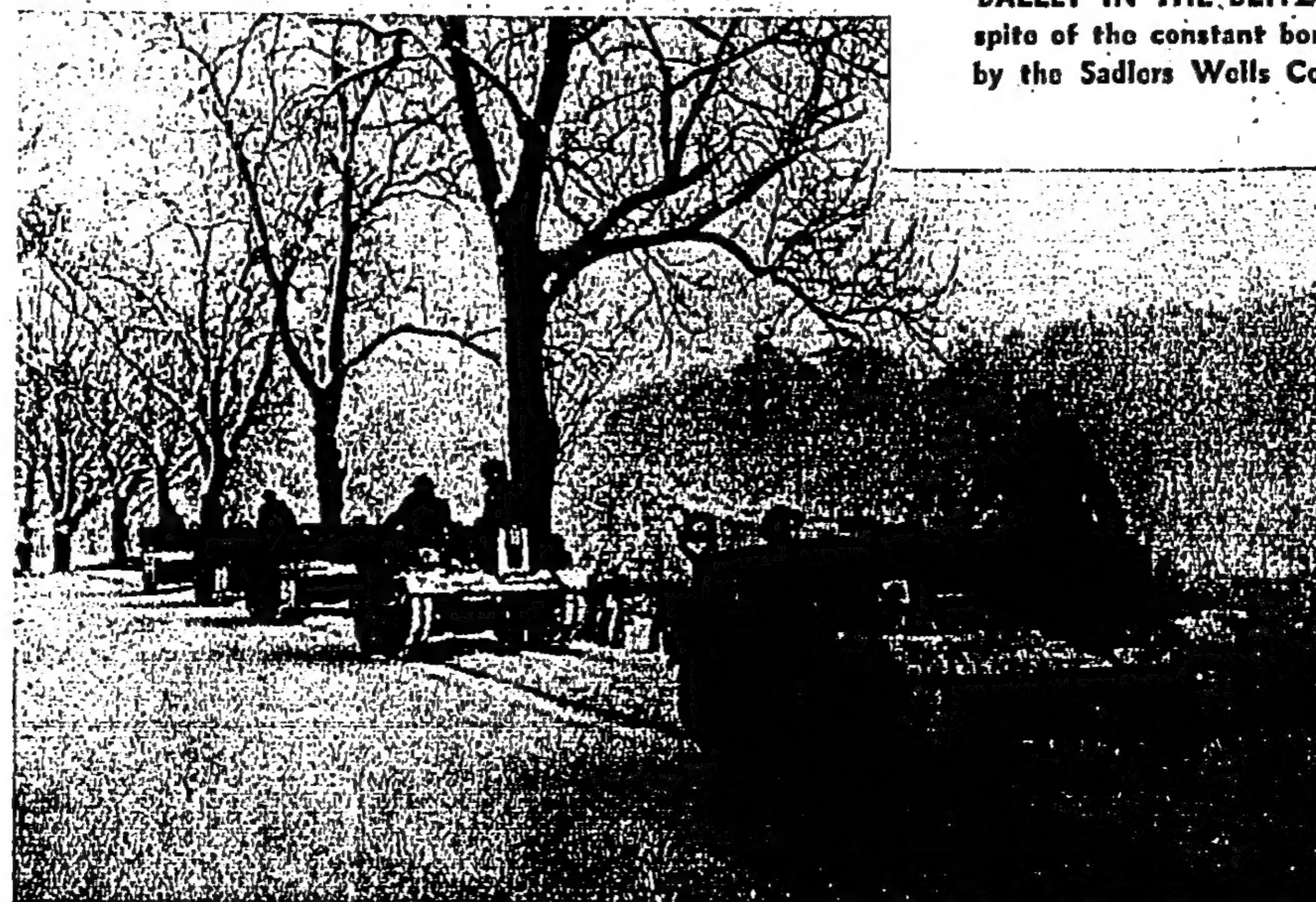
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STEADY STREAM—Picture shows another large contingent of men of the Dominions, trained for the Royal Air Force under the Empire Air Training Scheme, arriving in Britain from Canada recently.



SOMEWHERE IN SCOTLAND—This scene of Bren carriers of a battalion of the Leicestershire Regiment out on exercises in Scotland recalls to mind reports of the severe winter weather in Britain at the beginning of the year. Those handy vehicles experienced no difficulty in getting about during the arctic conditions.

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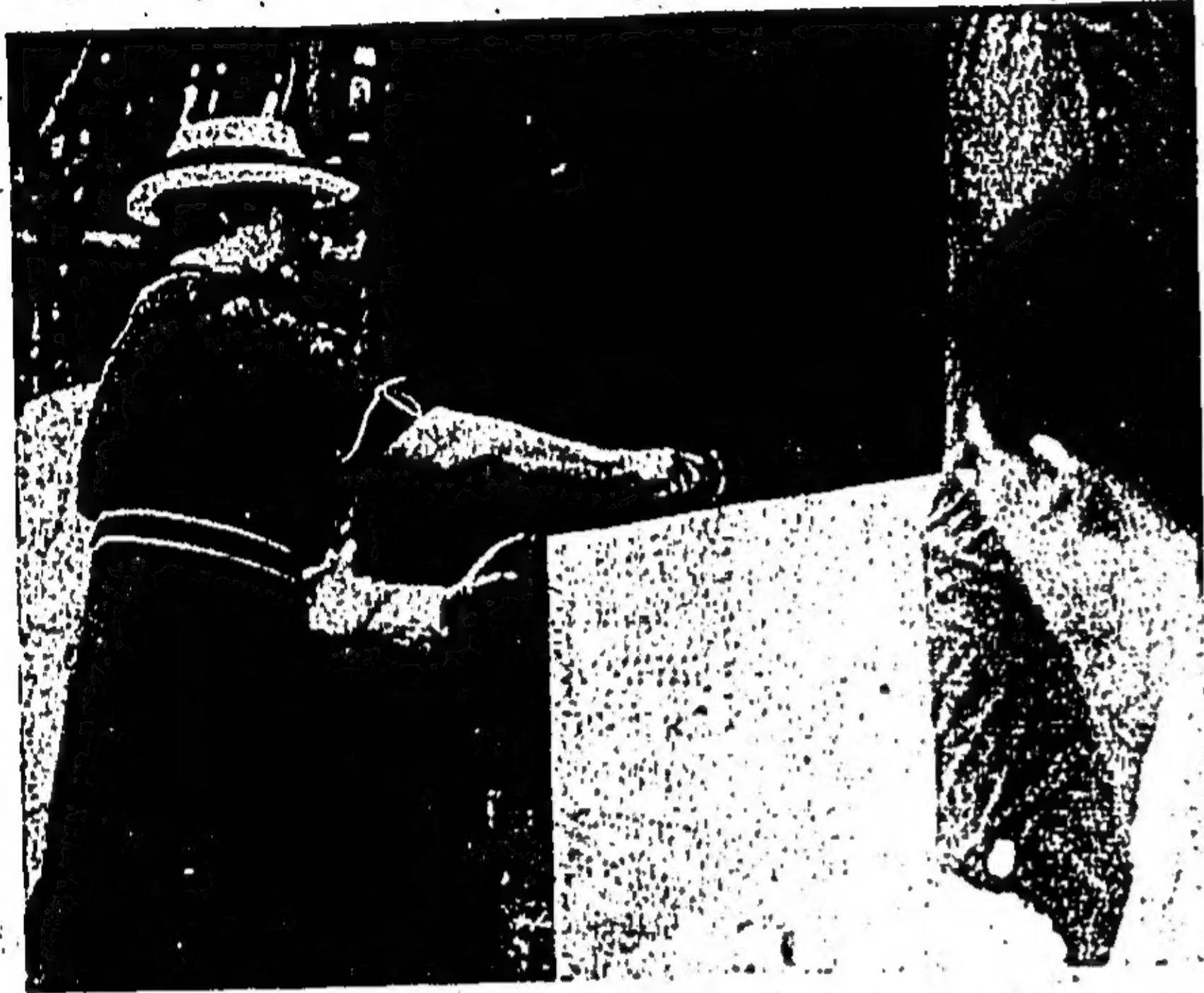
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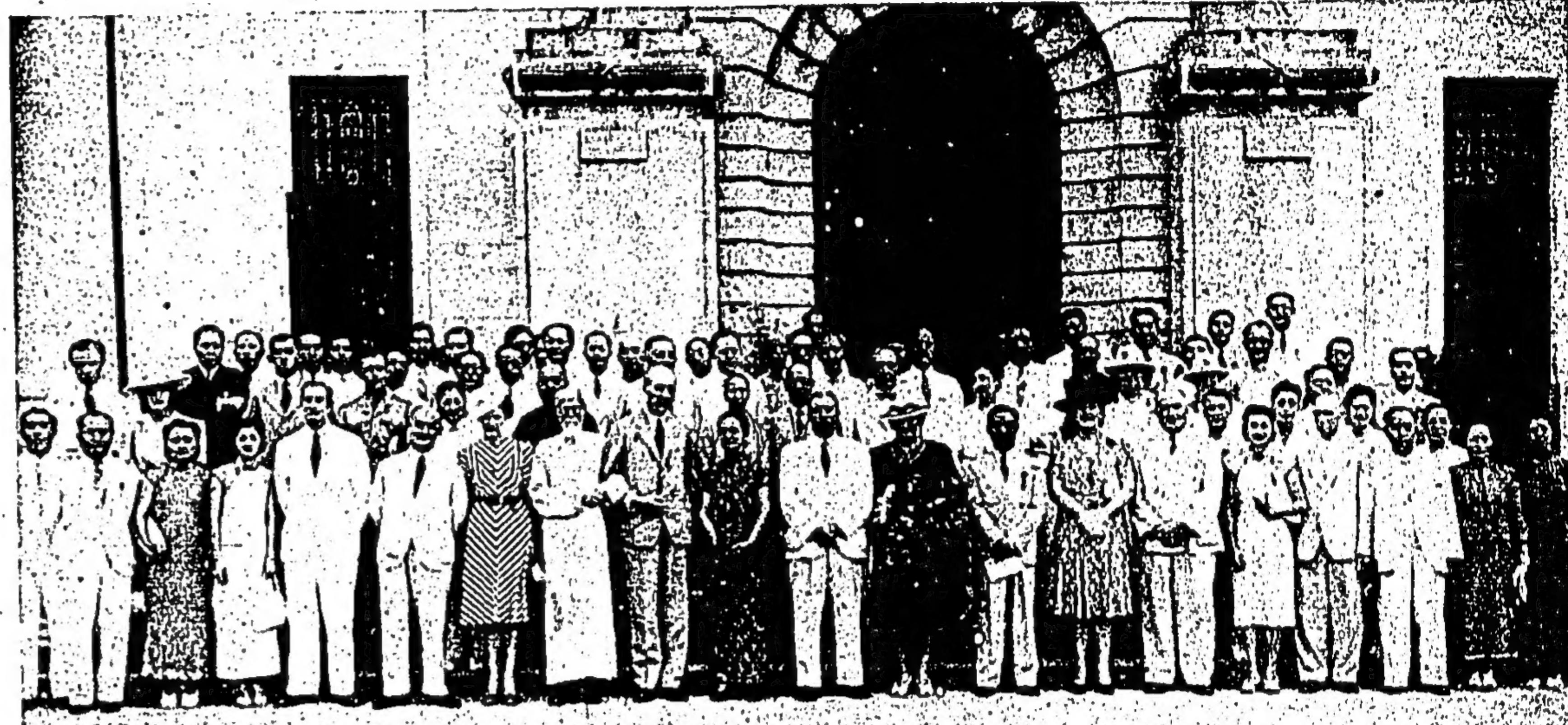
ROWING TEAM of the Carrier Platoon, 2nd Battalion, The Royal Scots, winners of the Inter-Unit Cup. (Photo: Ming Yuen).



CLUB DANCE—Mr H. M. Siu (from left, sixth standing) chairman of the Kowloon Tong Garden City Association, and his guests snapped at the dance given at the Club last Saturday. (Photo: Ming Yuen).



LADY MACGREGOR, wife of the Chief Justice, (left) laying the foundation stone of the new wing of the Po Leung Kuk on Monday. Photograph at right shows the large gathering present at the ceremony. Lady MacGregor is seen in centre standing between the Hon. Mr N. L. Smith and Mr Lo Tung-fan, chairman of the Board of the Po Leung Kuk. (Photos: Ming Yuen).



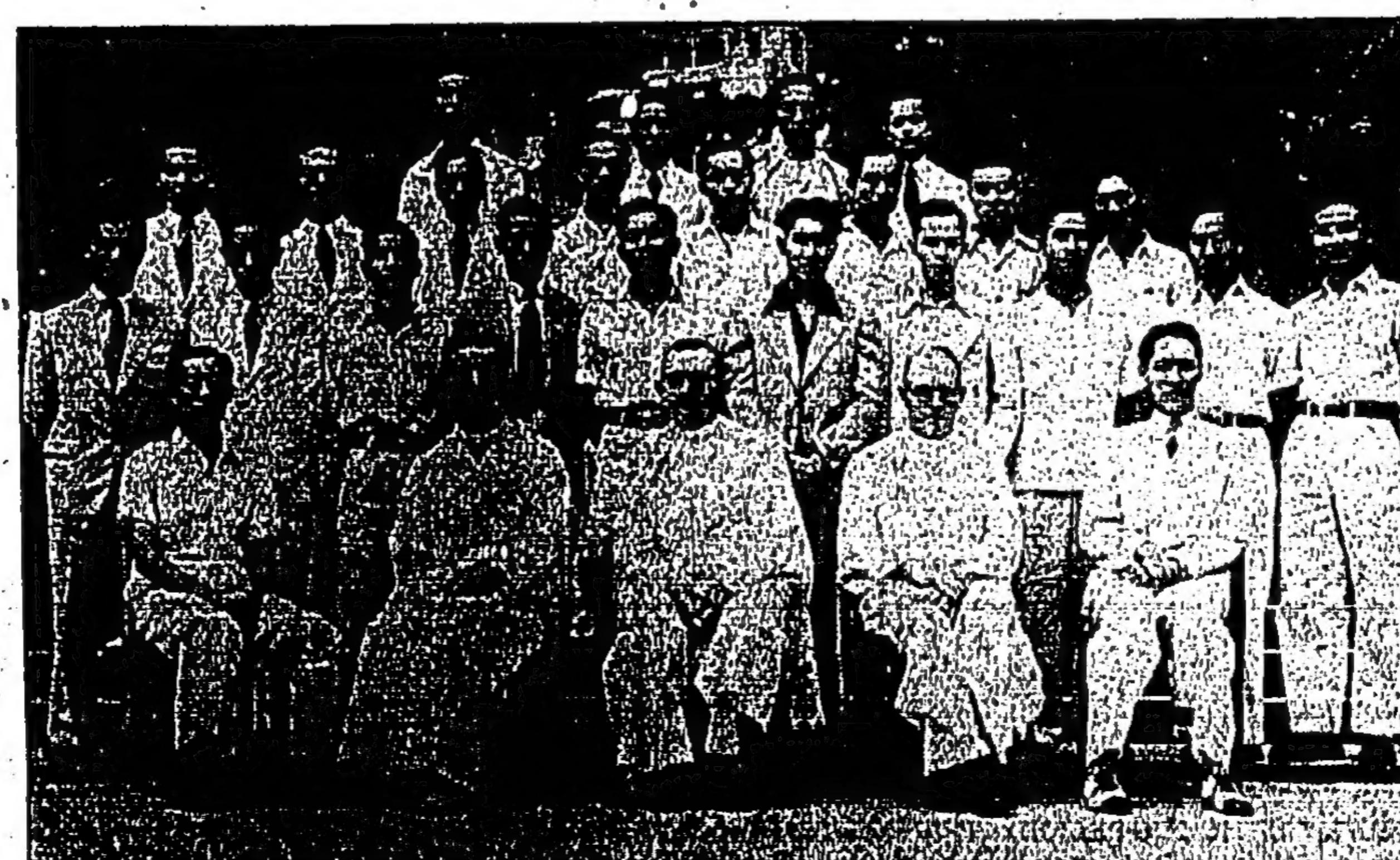
PING-PONG CHAMPIONS—The South China Athletic Association team, seen above, recently won the Hongkong Table Tennis League. (Photo: Ming Yuen).



CHO-YUNG WEDDING—Mr Cho Chung-lam and his bride, formerly Miss Yung Wai-jing, who were married recently at the Waldorf Hotel.



CATHEDRAL WEDDING—Lieut Kenneth Albert Watson, of the Hongkong Naval Volunteer Reserve, and his bride, formerly Miss Florence Isabel Lammert, seen leaving St John's Cathedral on Wednesday after their wedding. (Photo: Ming Yuen).



SUCCESSFUL STUDENTS—The 1941 Matriculation class of Wah Yan College photographed with their teachers. (Photo: A. Fong).

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DANGER SIGNS of nervous overstrain

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Highly-strung children spend their energies too recklessly. They are prone to weaken and exhaust their nervous systems with bad effects in later life.

The signs of nervous overstrain to watch out for are: difficulty and slowness in eating meals; paleness and tendency to get overtired; tantrums and fits of irritability and bad temper. If these signs occur, action should be taken at once.

What is happening is that the child is using up her nervous energy more quickly than it is being replaced. And it is at night during sleep, that these stores of nervous energy should be replaced.

If they are not replaced, the nervous strain on the child gets worse and worse. She's suffering from Night Starvation.

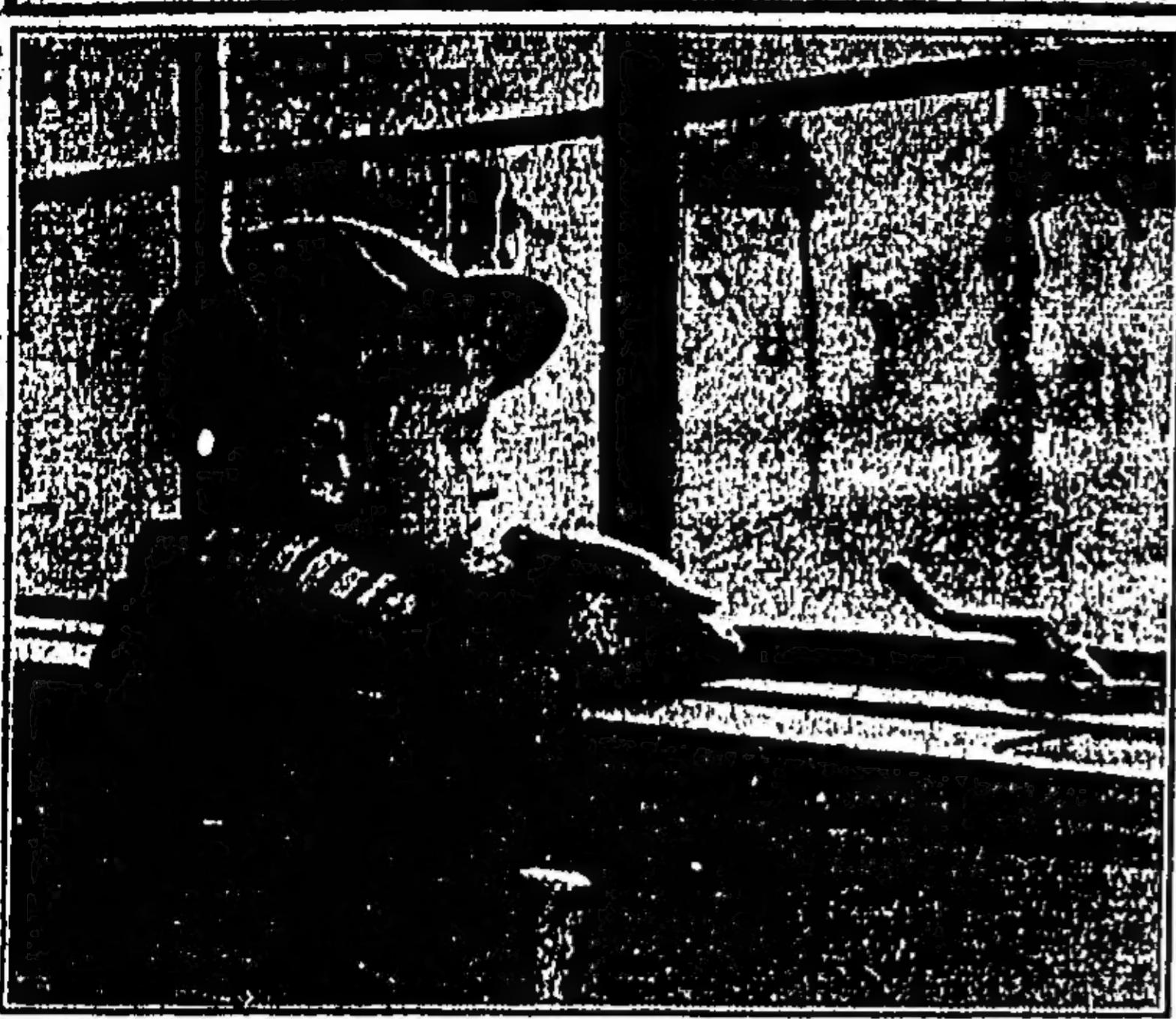
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RAINY WEATHER PICTURES



Don't worry about rain—just seize the picture chances that it creates, indoors and out. Try indoor shots such as this, using your photo lights to brighten up the shadow side of the subject.

RAINY weather brings its own picture opportunities, and there's no need to fold up your camera and tuck it away when the water comes showering down. Rather, you should have the camera out and keep it doubly busy.

Rain brings you reflections of the wet streets—a misty quality in the air that adds interest to scenes about town—and a chance for many human-interest shots. Pictures of people hurrying along under umbrellas—window-shopping in streaming raincoats—these are interesting additions to the album simply because they're so rare.

Rain also brings you many an interesting "detail" shot—such as the spouting gutter-spout, or the wet umbrella and overshoes in the hall, in a small puddle of their own making. Such shots can be both interesting and pictorial. And what about outdoor scenes, taken through a streaming or rain-spattered window? Just focus sharply on the window itself, and if the scene beyond is a bit out of focus, so much the better—it will have more of a genuine rainy-day feel.

John van Guilder

Letters Tell of Life in France Under the Nazis

"ALL GAUL IS DIVIDED..."
Letters from Occupied France, With a foreword by Elizabeth Morrow. The Greystone Press, \$1.

Three-fifths of the territory of France is an island in an ocean of incomunicability. Upon this island 25,000,000 souls are marooned. Around this island is a cordon of armed guards—and posters warning that those who attempt to escape and speak will be shot...

We are in a trap, and the invader has plugged to kill the faith of the French in themselves. Exchange of goods with other countries, save for exportation into Germany, is prohibited. No passenger ships leave the ports. Mail, cable and air services to points outside the zone have ceased to function since July 28, 1940.

Housekeeping: "Most painful shortages are fuel, fats, soap, cotton moving and significant collection of goods and shoes." Straus in the Wind: "A smudged France. All of them are old friends of Mrs. Morrow (she is, incidentally, Colonel Lindbergh's mother-in-law). All of them are deeply rooted in the French soil and know the peasant life which they describe. And, at present, all of them are Hitler's prisoners."

In themselves the titles of these letters are an outline of captivity, followed by an obedient, hypnotised Transportation... Psychology... pack, is loose upon our world. For German Ideas... Quiet Sunday... the moment no one can say or think Housekeeping... Straus in the Wind much further than that..."

The Invader Moves In: "The young German soldiers who occupy our pink guest-room find the colour effeminate. They say that I will be eliminated. They will do the manual work of redecorating—in the best Munich manner. But do you think it will be worth the trouble, for so short a time?" I question. "Oh yes. They say that we are to be with you for five years!"

Loot: "The opening of safe-deposit boxes, and particularly the scenes range from the political murder of Cleto to the political suicide of Woodrow Wilson. The taking of Byzantium, the discovery of the Pacific, the composing of the 'Messiah,' the losing of Water-towers, taxis or buses, but in small hours, mission. Each vehicle is marked, after a carouse—by a French officer reserved for passengers with Dog of Engineers who never before had a little pointed to the notice on his anything in the least remarkable."

WEEK-END WITH

Hurts More

"And now, Mrs. Sanderson, and counsel, 'will you be kind enough to tell the jury whether your husband was in the habit of striking you with impunity?'"

"With what, sir?"

"With impunity."

"He was, Sir, now and then; but he struck me often with his flat."

Not Much Hope

Overheard in the back seat in a cinema:

"Are your folks well to do?"

"No. They're hard to do."

To Be Exact

Little Betty had just arrived for her first day at school, and her name was being entered in the register.

"Have you any brothers or sisters, dear?" asked the teacher.

"Yes, miss" replied Betty.

"Then are you the oldest of the family, Betty?"

Betty laughed. "Oh, no, miss, daddy and mummy are both older than me."

Was Her Face Red!

Punctuation is a bugbear in our language, as witness the story of the young minister who, at the church social, shyly and hurriedly announced:

"Miss B—, our young and talented soprano, will now sing, 'Tuck Me In My Little Wooden Bed' accompanied by the organist."

Classroom Gems

Chivalry is the altitude of a man towards strange women.

Diagrams are delicate things just below the ribs and above the stomach.

Holland is a low-lying country and is damned all round.

Moses was hidden in the bulrushes so that his first-born should not be discovered.

Sounds Irish

On his way to work, he stopped and turned against the wind to light his pipe. He walked on, and soon, somewhat to his surprise, found he was home again.

"My!" he exclaimed, knocking out his pipe, "that was the quickest shift I ever put in!"

Soporific

"I am glad to see your husband at church so often, Mrs. Smith."

"Yes, he says your sermons is ading 'im good."

"It's good to know that my words are bringing peace to a troubled soul."

"Bless 'ee, sir, it ain't 'is soul, it's 'is insomnia."

Where There's Life, Etc.

Wishing to get married a couple went to a minister's house just as he was ready to leave for a mid-week service. The preacher explained what he considered a way out of the difficulty.

"You two come to my service, and at the close come forward and I will marry you."

They agreed to this, and when the minister had completed his sermon, in order to give them the cue to come forward, he announced, "All those desiring to be married come forward."

Thirteen women and one man started for the altar.

Exercise

Doc: What you need is more exercise. What's your job?

Patient: I'm a bricklayer.

Doc: Lay an extra two bricks a day.

Banned

He wrote a play, but it was never produced because the censor would not approve it. In the first act, the hero smiled at the heroine. In the second act they held hands. In the third act, they kissed. But his was a five-act play.

Carried to Extremes

Then what came of it? As in so many of the swift dictates of fashion, we were not satisfied to let well enough alone, but went from extreme

Pupil's Angle

Teacher: "This is a portrait of the founder of this school. He was a prominent philanthropist and gave a large sum to the school."

Student: "Why didn't he work them out himself?"

Shrewd Advice

Young Highlander: "Father, I have to have an 'Atlas' for school."

Father: "Ah, well, son, y'd better wait till the world's fair settled."

Blah-Blah!

City Editor: "Did you interview Blinks, the labour leader?"

Reporter: "Yes, sir."

"What did he have to say?"

"Nothing."

"Well, let's only use a column of 11."

It's A Fact

Household Hint: "Ink can be more easily removed from white tablecloths before it is spilled than after."

Not His Job

As he was drilling a batch of recruits the sergeant saw that one of them was marching out of step.

Going up to the man as they marched, he said sarcastically,

"Do you know they are all out of step except you?"

"What?" asked the recruit innocently.

"I said they are all out of step except you," repeated the sergeant.

"Well," was the retort, "you tell 'em. You're in charge."

Total Warfare means Total Sacrifice

MERE WORDS FAIL to emphasize the gravity of the great fight against brutality and oppression, in which we are so seriously engaged. The hordes of Hitler are desperate in their fiendish desire to obliterate the British Empire, and all that it stands for. It is total warfare. Total in the sense that not only are our gallant sailors, soldiers and airmen involved, but civilians as well.

ALREADY THE TOLL of lives amongst the civilian population of the British Isles, is heavy. Already, innocent children are being maimed and blinded. The scene is poignantly grim. Our folk who are in the midst of the holocaust, come up smiling after every onslaught—even though they have tears in their eyes and anguish in their hearts. They are Undaunted! Unconquerable!

THEY ARE ENCOURAGED by the great help they are receiving from their kindred nations overseas. In common with the rest of the Empire, Hongkong is helping. Nearly a year ago, the Bomber Fund was started, and thanks to the generosity and the sacrifice of many, over two million dollars have now been subscribed and placed at the disposal of the British Government for the purchase of bombers—so urgently needed to avenge the innocents who have fallen, and to smash the German war machine.

HONGKONG is doing well, but can do still better. There have been magnificent contributions to the Bomber Fund, and there has been great sacrifice on the part of some who have given again and again. Let it be remembered however, that the two million dollars would not have been recorded but for the humble gifts from those who could afford no more.

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1 Japan is an archipelago consisting of four principal and over volcano (a) part of a (b) burnt sacrifice (c) a thousand smaller islands. Can medical term (d) type of rock you give the names of the four principal islands?

2 What do these stand for—(a) Deut., (b) D.A.C., (c) Conn., (d) Z.S., (e) B.O.T., (f) Bro., (g) F.R.C.P.?

3 Give the name of the German admiral who went down with the Nazi battleship, Bismarck, on Tuesday.

4 Who conferred on which king the title Defender of the Faith?

5 Bees hum. What do these do—(a) asses, (b) frogs, (c) calves, (d) chickens, (e) crows, (f) peacocks?

6 Who was known as the "first gentleman of Europe?"

7 Who was the author of "The Taking of Byzantium, the Discovery of the Pacific, the Composing of the 'Messiah,'" the writing and composing of "Marecallaisse"—in the small hours?

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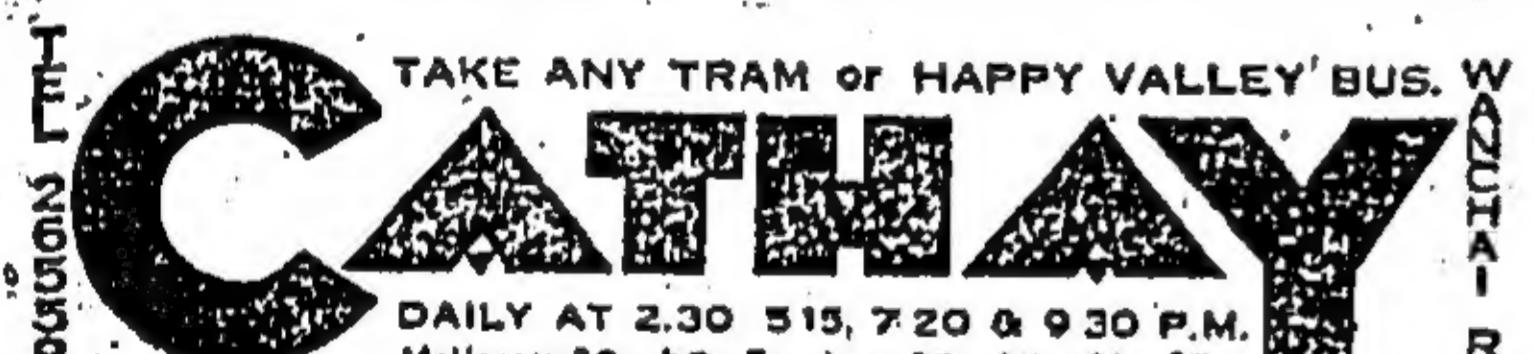
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The speech of President Roosevelt is without doubt the most momentous speech of this century.

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There was none of the turgid hysterical fulminations of Hitler whom he was answering, but the deep and forceful, logical and convincing notes of a statesman who realised the great gravity of the world situation to-day.

The earnestness and the sincerity of his words seemed to raise the issue to sublime heights, and made one feel the nobility of the cause of freedom and democracy.

If it was not a declaration of war, it was a prelude to one. The climax was reached when he hurled defiance to Hitler, and declared that a state of national emergency existed.

The free world must literally have echoed his thought as he announced his firm determination not to tolerate a Nazi-dictated peace, and the hearts of those in Britain must have been uplifted as he spoke those simple words of such tremendous import: "I say the goods can be delivered to Britain, they must be delivered. They will be delivered." It was at this point of the speech that one realised the full power of the spoken word, as against that of the same words in cold print.

ASSURANCE OF VICTORY

In the midst of the greatest crisis in her history, amid successes and failures, British people must have felt a sense of final victory if ever there was one.

The Anglo-Saxon world has now solemnly declared that the ocean has been doing this for four years, highways are to be kept open, and as if to illustrate and prove the point, the destruction of the most powerful Nazi battleship was announced some hours before the speech was made.

The war is obviously going to be a long one. The Allies control the seven seas, and will in due course be masters in the air, while Germany must remain powerful on land. It is the advantage and disadvantage of this war, but weariness seems to will prove decisive in this war, but weariness seems to make Germany cut off from overseas resources, will ultimately be so weakened that she must give way.

That breaking point, however, is very far off. A further consideration of President Roosevelt's speech puts the things we are fighting for, and those which we are fighting against, in the right perspective. One realises as never before that Hitlerism, with its Gestapo, concentration camps, Quislings, Lavals and Darlanes, was something essentially evil and mean, together with her business-like lines, that the heroic stand made by Britain and China against this form of aggression and tyranny was for a cause that lifted man into a higher plane.

The President pleaded for a nobler and a better world from which want and tyranny would be expelled and freedom would prevail and in which man would be significant—in short a democratic world; as against a regimented Nazi world of oppression.

REACTION IN JAPAN

The reaction of the Japanese to President Roosevelt's speech is that it only takes the United States nearer to the brink of war, and therefore, the necessity to make a decision can be postponed. Meanwhile, America is very angry over the seizure of ten

Answers to Quiz

Questions on Page 11

- Honsu; Shikoku; Kiushu; Hokkaido.
- One — Elizabeth.
- Fleet. Admiral Luetjens.
- Pope Leo X on Henry VIII.
- (a) bray; (b) croak; (c) bleat; (d) peep or cheep; (e) caw; (f) scream.
- George IV of England.
- Burnt sacrifice.
- Deuteronomy.
- Adjutant General.
- Connecticut.
- Zoological Society.
- Board of Trade.
- Brother.
- Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians.
- Alaska.
- (a) The Maid's Lan-
- (b) Odie to a Skylark (Shelley).
- (c) The Lady of Shalott (Tennyson).
- (d) The Little Black Boy (Blake).
- (e) Rabbi Ben Ezra (Browning).

NAVY STILL SUPREME

The Atlantic Ocean seemed at once to be alive with British naval ships, which had been keeping their silent watch over its sea routes.

They had one purpose and one only, and that was to track down and destroy the newest German battleship.

The skillful way in which the course of Bismarck was watched and the converging of the warships on those

pursuit was maintained, the efficiency with which the aerial torpedo attack was made—all these things completely restored confidence.

The Royal Navy was still supreme, its control of the ocean highways was once more demonstrated, for no

German or Italian surface warship

can sail the seas without permission of the British Fleet.

That fact is established. There can be no blockade of Britain by Axis warships.

Now that the British Navy has sunk

the Graf Spee and the Bismarck, and driven the Schleswig and the Gneisenau into Brest, where they have been severely damaged, it is not likely that they will risk any further costly adventures of this kind.

SITUATION IN NEAR EAST

The beginning of our troubles in the Near East was the defection of France. Instead of the combined British and French fleet, armaments and air forces being present to defend that area, we have been faced with the problem of reorganisation by which British forces alone have to discharge a duty that was already heavy when France was in the war.

It is not only the absence of the French forces, however, that has caused so much danger, but the presence of a weak disorganized government in Syria which is favourable to Germany and opposed to Britain.

Syria is in a state of chaos, and only slightly more so than it was before the war. Nowhere was the symptom of the disease that was attacking the heart of France more clearly evident than in this land. Weygand, shortly after the war, was sent out to put things right, and might have proved a second Lyautey but for the political intrigues in Paris which caused his dismissal.

He returned in 1939, an old man vain and useless. It was felt in Syria that his return to France in June last year was a gesture of despair. His reputation of 1918 still remained, but not his genius. It was also in Syria that Gamelin was tried and found wanting, as far back in 1926 when the Druzes revolted. It took Gamelin ten months, with an army of 100,000, to put down twelve thousand rebels armed with knives and swords.

Intrigue and corruption were the order of the day, partly because the French had no clear policy in Syria and partly because of the internal conditions in France. It would seem to be the logical thing for Britain to occupy Syria by simply crossing the frontier from Palestine. The French in Syria are obviously divided in their allegiance, for many have already deserted in order to join the Free French Forces in the south. It is quite certain that the Germans will not hesitate to go into Syria in force when it suits them. They already have the privilege of sending their planes there.

POSITION IN CRETE

If Crete falls to the Germans, then the next step will be Cyprus. The German invasion of Crete is not an experiment with a view to a descent on Britain, nor is it a prelude; it is the alternative which has cost them heavily.

It is clear that most of the aerial forces they possess have been concentrated on this campaign, and that the hundreds of troop-carrying planes which were to be used for the invasion of Britain have been diverted for this purpose to Crete. The aerial war on two fronts is clearly in favour of Germany, who can move her air fleet across the diameter of the circle very quickly by land, while British forces have to proceed round the circumference via Gibraltar by sea.

The whole position in the Near East is unpleasant, for Baghdad is not yet occupied, though it would have been on May 10 when the Iraqi revolt was collapsing had the German planes not arrived with numerous Nazi officials.

The result of this was that the rebels took fresh courage and continued the struggle.

The whole of Iraq and Iran are in a state of ferment, and these are the two countries from which about 20 million tons of oil are drawn by means of pipe-lines to the coast.

It is in Iran that the German agents and Soviet representatives are competing for the support of the wider elements in the Persian army.

But Nazi pressure on Russia is likely to prevail in the near future, for Russia has only one aim in life and that is to avoid a war with Germany.

Such a war would reveal not Russia's might but Russian weakness, and would imperil the whole Soviet system.

Germany will, therefore, soon be in a position to squeeze whatever concessions she needs out of Russia. It is certain that Germany will not allow Russia scope for expansion in those areas she already covets.

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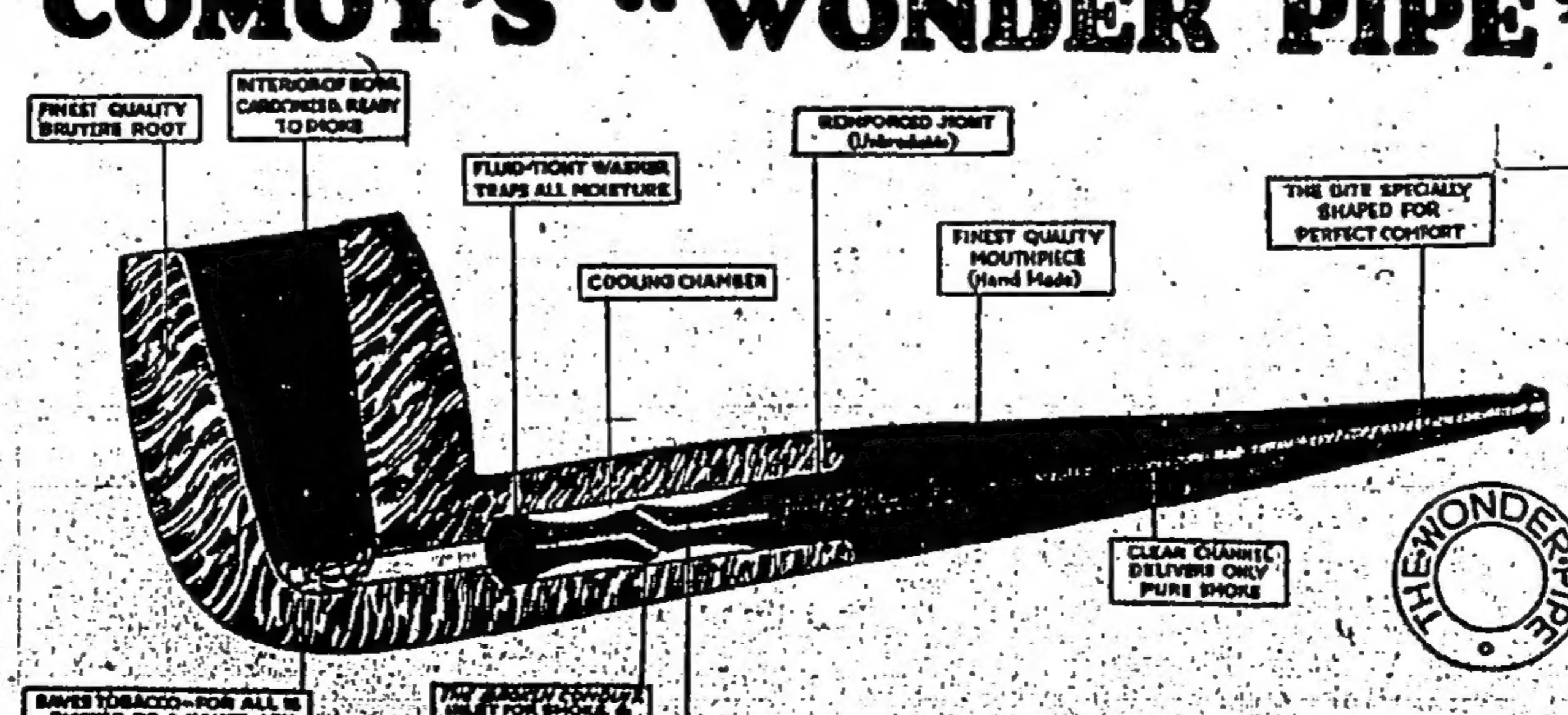
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